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# CAPITAL MARCH WEDNESDAY TO HIT MUNDT BILL

Freedom-loving Americans will stage a national march to Washington Wednesday in a last ditch fight to stop passage of the Mundt bill, Len Goldsmith, executive secretary of the Committee for Democratic Rights declared yesterday. in a ringing plea for a huge outpouring of progressives,

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Scoring the haste of Senate leaders to steam-roller passage of the police state measure, Goldsmith quoted Robert Young, clerk of the Judiciary Committee as saying yesterday that 4,000 representatives of organizations have sought time to oppose the Mundt bill—but that the committee plans to hear only "a few".

Goldsmith charged Democratic Senators, by failing even to show up at yesterday's hearing on the bill, indicated "lack of interest by the Truman administration to defeat it."

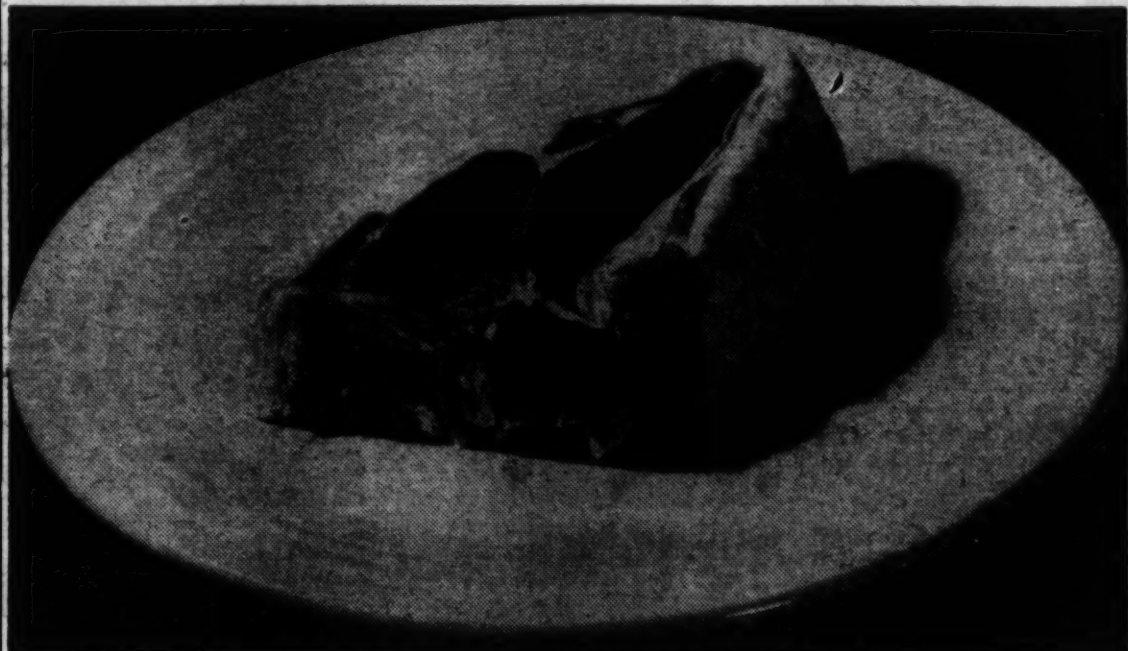
Only "an aroused public, making its voice heard in Washington and throughout the land", Goldsmith declared, "will halt this threatening blow to democracy."

Wednesday's march, he said, must include as many people "humanly possible." Not only officers and/or representatives of organizations, but large contingents of their membership, "whole shops, too", Goldsmith declared, should be in Washington on Wednesday.

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## Today's Pin-Up



This juicy lamb chop costs close to 50 cents. Want one or two, or will you settle for stew? The Department of Agriculture announced this week that meat prices which rose to fantastic heights during the packinghouse strike would remain at their high levels. Everything that goes up comes down,

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By Joseph Starobin.

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., May 27.—A Soviet demand that the United Nations move for sanctions against the Arab states and a British proposal which only echoing the Arab conditions for ceasing their aggression were tossed into the Security Council today, after the United States itself failed to press for action.

Britain's spokesman, Sir Alexander Cadogan, told the tail end of the council meeting that the Foreign Office had decided on three new steps in the Palestine crisis:

- Twenty-one of the 37 British officers now commanding Trans-Jordan's Arab Legion are being withdrawn, but 16 of them allegedly not members of the British Army, will remain. Capt. Glubb Pasha is among those who will remain.

- Britain will suspend arms shipments to its three Arab allies, Egypt, Iraq and Trans-Jordan, only if the United Nations decides on a general embargo on Jews as well as Arabs, and only "upon completion of previous contract."

- Britain will decide whether to pay its July 12 installment on the \$8,000,000 subsidy to Trans-Jordan in the light of what the UN decides on a truce.

After giving the Council this information, Cadogan offered his resolution as a reply to Andrei Gromyko's proposal, previously introduced.

The Soviet resolution is a simple one. It authorizes the Council to determine "that a threat to the peace exists" and would "order the governments involved in the conflict to terminate military operations within 36 hours" under the penalty of the Council's readiness to use Article 39 of the Chapter which is the first step under its enforcement powers.

Cadogan's resolution would have the Security Council consider enforcement action only after both sides failed to obey a four-week armistice. The armistice would depend on the condition that neither side would introduce new fighting forces, that neither side would import war material, and that both sides would cooperate with UN mediator Count Folke Bernadotte to protect Jerusalem's holy places.

The British proposal, therefore, would bind the Jews to halt immigration of able-bodied men and to cease importing material for self-defense. This is a version of the conditions which the Arab states placed before the Council on Wednesday after using up the 48-hour extension to reject the cease-fire request of May 22. The only way in which the British conditions differ from the Arab is that no mention is made of dissolving the Jewish state.

It was felt here that Britain is driving to retain control over Palestine developments in two ways.

- Its resolution would help to involve the Council in a prolonged debate, and thus forestall the drastic action demanded by Gromyko. While the Council debates, both sides in Palestine can be worn down.

- The British move also is in—

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WASHINGTON, May 27 (UP).—President Truman said today this country will

keep its embargo on arms shipments to Palestine until the United Nations Security Council does something about the Palestine situation. He told his news conference that the embargo was imposed at the request of the UN. Until there is some action in UN,

he said, this country will continue to abide by that request. The President said he sees no connection between the situation of this country and that of Britain on the question of shipping arms to the Middle East. He was asked whether the two situations are not parallel, even though Britain is shipping arms to the Arabs and this country is not shipping them to anybody.

Truman replied that he does not think the situations are parallel.

Truman said there has been no application for a loan to Israel. But he said Dr. Chaim Weizmann, head of the new Jewish state, has said the Jews would like a loan. Weizmann called on the President here this week.

Weizmann told reporters on Tuesday that Israel would like to borrow \$100,000,000.

## Israeli Clear Northern Border

By Eliav Simon

TEL AVIV, Israel, May 27.—Jewish forces have won the opening round in the battle for Israel's common frontiers with Lebanon on the north and Syria on the northeast.

In a tour today from Tel Aviv to the Lebanese border and back along the Jordan—longest single front in the Holy Land war—I found the Israel border intact.

I did not see a single live Arab soldier on Israel territory. Indeed, I saw few Arab civilians. Most of them had fled, leaving their villages dotting the valley on the east and the mountains farther north intact.

The Arabs had broken through the Israel border at scattered points, but Haganah has driven back the regular armies of Syria, Lebanon, Trans-Jordan and Iraq.

Jordan Valley villages which only a few days ago bristled with concentrations of Arab armies were completely cleared today. Arab gun positions are, in most cases, well beyond Israel's border.

One of the few exceptions is at the southern tip of the Sea of Galilee. When I arrived at Deganya early today, I was ordered to black out the lights of my car because "the enemy is only 13 miles away."

From a hill near Deganya, I could see flashes of gun fire from the border town of Zemach, now held by Haganah. The Jews recaptured it after an eight-hour fight yesterday, but the Arabs were opening a new attack. The town has changed hands three times in the past few days.

Haganah sources claimed the Arabs lost more than 1,000 dead in the past week's fighting for control of the Jordan Valley. They listed only 20 Jews killed.



**What Hoodlums Did:** Jose Cancel, manager of the Estrella Rojo bookshop, in San Juan, Puerto Rico, holds a Puerto Rican flag, which was torn by two hoodlum sailors from U. S. Navy cruisers, when they wrecked the bookshop on May 15. The thugs slugged Cancel with a broken bottle, as may be seen in his bandaged wound and the blood covering his shirt.

## MILK PRICES ARE HIKE AGAIN BY 1 CENT

Milk prices will be raised another cent a quart beginning Tuesday, bringing the price of the "almost perfect food" back to its highest level since the first world war. Retail prices now range from 19½ cents to 23½ cents a quart.

The new boost, which wipes out a penny reduction made during the "flush" season, is expected to hasten the decline in milk consumption.

Milk drinking last year, for the first time since

1934, showed a decline of 4,466,280 quarts in New York City.

Tuesday's increase is due, according to the milk dealers, to an increase of 44 cents per hundred-weight (46 quarts) to the producers in this area. But the rub for the farmers is this: when the price of milk goes up, fluid consumption goes down, and they get less money for their total milk output in the final analysis.

## Town Shuns Adamson Rites

By Harry Raymond

LONG BRANCH, N. J., May 27.—There were many sighs of relief here today, but no tears, as the body of Harold S. Adamson, the town's n'er-do-well, self-styled anti-red sleuth and member of the American Legion's Americanization Committee was taken to its final resting place in Glenwood Cemetery.

Only a corporal's guard of Adamson's Legion buddies and one surviving relative, Frank Hennessey, an uncle, attended the military funeral services at the Ralph Damiano Funeral Home, where William Dennis of the Shrewsbury Legion Post, conducted the ritual.

Adamson, 54, was found dead in his hotel room Monday after he failed to appear at an Asbury Park "Americanization" rally. Legion leaders and major New York and New Jersey newspapers immediately

launched a red hunt asserting Adamson possibly died in a "Communist murder plot."

### 'RED PLOT' PUNCTURED

But police revealed the Legionnaire was a "notorious drunken brawler" with a record of 15 arrests. The "red plot" theory collapsed when local authorities announced belief he was slugged in a barroom brawl or by an irate husband who resented Adamson's possible attentions to his wife.

Police Chief Thomas J. Marks said Adamson's police record, including arrests for beating his mother, for manslaughter, adultery, breaking and entering and drunk and disorderly, was being used as a guide to his investigation of the case.

Dr. Julius Toren, assistant county medical examiner, said the autopsy showed Adamson was a chronic alcoholic and died from a

blow which fractured his skull while in a drunken stupor.

Chief Marks said his officers were checking taverns in Asbury Park, Allenhurst, Deal, Red Bank, Middletown, Matawan and questioning taxi drivers in an effort to determine the Legionnaire's whereabouts Saturday. He said there were no new developments.

### AGAIN QUESTION WOMEN

It was learned that police questioned for the second time Adamson's two girl friends, Mrs. Marian McMillen and Miss Tina Holgate, who admitted accompanying him on two separate drinking bouts last Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. McMillen, a hotel housekeeper, discovered Adamson dead in his Elkwood Hotel room at 11 a.m. Monday. Miss Holgate turned over to police Adamson's strong box containing \$3,727, most of it in \$500 and \$100 bills.

Adamson, a past commander of the Shrewsbury Post of the Legion, had recently returned from Washington where he attended the Legion's school on "subversive activities." He was one of four men picked by state legion officials to attend the Washington seminar to hear lectures by FBI agents and other government officials.



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DETROIT, May 27 (UP).—General Motors Corp. and the CIO United Electrical Workers agreed on a two-year pact granting 40,000 GM electrical division employees a flat 11-cent wage increase and further boosts or reductions in pay based on the cost-of-living.

The agreement came as Chrysler and the CIO United Auto Workers went into a night bargaining session which Michigan Gov. Kim Sigler said would continue until a settlement of the walkout of 73,000 Chrysler workers was reached.

Harry W. Anderson, GM vice-president in charge of personnel and James J. Matles, director of organization for UE, jointly announced the wage agreement, which is subject to ratification by the UE membership.

Based on the wage formula achieved Tuesday by General Motors and the UAW, the contract provides for an 11-cent hourly increase May 29 and an additional three-cents an hour on May 29, 1949.

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- Twenty-one of the 37 British officers now commanding Trans-Jordan's Arab Legion are being withdrawn, but 16 of them allegedly not members of the British Army, will remain. Capt. Glubb Pasha is among those who will remain.

- Britain will suspend arms shipments to its three Arab allies, Egypt, Iraq and Trans-Jordan, only if the United Nations decides on a general embargo on Jews as well as Arabs, and only "upon completion of previous contract."

- Britain will decide whether to pay its July 12 installment on the \$8,000,000 subsidy to Trans-Jordan in the light of what the UN decides on a truce.

After giving the Council this information, Cadogan offered his resolution as a reply to Andrei Gromyko's proposal, previously introduced.

The Soviet resolution is a simple one. It authorizes the Council to determine "that a threat to the peace exists" and would "order the governments involved in the conflict to terminate military operations within 36 hours" under the penalty of the Council's readiness to use Article 39 of the Chapter which is the first step under its enforcement powers.

Cadogan's resolution would have the Security Council consider enforcement action only after both sides failed to obey a four-week armistice. The armistice would depend on the condition that neither side would introduce new fighting forces, that neither side would import war material, and that both sides would cooperate with UN mediator Count Folke Bernadotte to protect Jerusalem's holy places.

The British proposal, therefore, would bind the Jews to halt immigration of able-bodied men and to cease importing material for self-defense. This is a version of the conditions which the Arab states placed before the Council on Wednesday after using up the 48-hour extension to reject the cease-fire request of May 22. The only way in which the British conditions differ from the Arab is that no mention is made of dissolving the Jewish state.

It was felt here that Britain is driving to retain control over Palestine developments in two ways.

- Its resolution would help to involve the Council in a prolonged debate, and thus forestall the drastic action demanded by Gromyko. While the Council debates, both sides in Palestine can be worn down.

- The British move also is in-

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WASHINGTON, May 27 (UP).—President Truman said today this country will keep its embargo on arms shipments to Palestine until the United Nations Security Council does something about the Palestine situation. He told his news conference that the embargo was imposed at the request of the UN. Until there is some action in UN,

he said, this country will continue to abide by that request. The President said he sees no connection between the situation of this country and that of Britain on the question of shipping arms to the Middle East. He was asked whether the two situations are not parallel, even though Britain is shipping arms to the Arabs and this country is not shipping them to anybody.

Truman replied that he does not think the situations are parallel.

Truman said there has been no application for a loan to Israel. But he said Dr. Chaim Weizmann, head of the new Jewish state, has said the Jews would like a loan. Weizmann called on the President here this week.

Weizmann told reporters on Tuesday that Israel would like to borrow \$100,000,000.

## Israeli Clear Northern Border

By Eliav Simon

TEL AVIV, Israel, May 27.—Jewish forces have won the opening round in the battle for Israel's common frontiers with Lebanon on the north and Syria on the northeast.

In a tour today from Tel Aviv to the Lebanese border and back along the Jordan—longest single front in the Holy Land war—I found the Israel border intact.

I did not see a single live Arab soldier on Israel territory. Indeed, I saw few Arab civilians. Most of them had fled, leaving their villages dotting the valley on the east and the mountains farther north intact.

The Arabs had broken through the Israel border at scattered points, but Haganah has driven back the regular armies of Syria, Lebanon, Trans-Jordan and Iraq.

Jordan Valley villages which only a few days ago bristled with concentrations of Arab armies were completely cleared today. Arab gun positions are, in most cases, well beyond Israel's border.

One of the few exceptions is at the southern tip of the Sea of Galilee. When I arrived at Deganya early today, I was ordered to black out the lights of my car because "the enemy is only 13 miles away."

From a hill near Deganya, I could see flashes of gun fire from the border town of Zemach, now held by Haganah. The Jews recaptured it after an eight-hour fight yesterday, but the Arabs were opening a new attack. The town has changed hands three times in the past few days.

Haganah sources claimed the Arabs lost more than 1,000 dead in the past week's fighting for control of the Jordan Valley. They listed only 20 Jews killed.



**What Hoodlums Did:** Jose Cancel, manager of the Estrella Rojo bookshop, in San Juan, Puerto Rico, holds a Puerto Rican flag, which was torn by two hoodlum sailors from U. S. Navy cruisers, when they wrecked the bookshop on May 15. The thugs slugged Cancel with a broken bottle, as may be seen in his bandaged wound and the blood covering his shirt.

## MILK PRICES ARE HIKED AGAIN BY 1 CENT

Milk prices will be raised another cent a quart beginning Tuesday, bringing the price of the "almost perfect food" back to its highest level since the first world war. Retail prices now range from 19½ cents to 23½ cents a quart.

The new boost, which wipes out a penny reduction made during the "flush" season, is expected to hasten the decline in milk consumption.

Milk drinking last year, for the first time since

1934, showed a decline of 4,466,280 quarts in New York City.

Tuesday's increase is due, according to the milk dealers, to an increase of 44 cents per hundred-weight (46 quarts) to the producers in this area. But the rub for the farmers is this: when the price of milk goes up, fluid consumption goes down, and they get less money for their total milk output in the final analysis.

## Town Shuns Adamson Rites

By Harry Raymond

LONG BRANCH, N. J., May 27.—There were many sighs of relief here today, but no tears, as the body of Harold S. Adamson, the town's n'er-do-well, self-styled anti-red sleuth and member of the American Legion's Americanization Committee was taken to its final resting place in Glenwood Cemetery.

Only a corporal's guard of Adamson's Legion buddies and one surviving relative, Frank Hennessey, an uncle, attended the military funeral services at the Ralph Damiano Funeral Home, where William Dennis of the Shrewsbury Legion Post, conducted the ritual.

Adamson, 54, was found dead in his hotel room Monday after he failed to appear at an Asbury Park "Americanization" rally. Legion leaders and major New York and New Jersey newspapers immediately

launched a red hunt asserting Adamson possibly died in a "Communist murder plot."

### 'RED PLOT' PUNCTURED

But police revealed the Legionnaire was a "notorious drunken brawler" with a record of 15 arrests. The "red plot" theory collapsed when local authorities announced belief he was slugged in a barroom brawl or by an irate husband who resented Adamson's possible attentions to his wife.

Police Chief Thomas J. Marks said Adamson's police record, including arrests for beating his mother, for manslaughter, adultery, breaking and entering and drunk and disorderly, was being used as a guide to his investigation of the case.

Dr. Julius Toren, assistant county medical examiner, said the autopsy showed Adamson was a chronic alcoholic and died from a

blow which fractured his skull while in a drunken stupor.

Chief Marks said his officers were checking taverns in Asbury Park, Allenhurst, Deal, Red Bank, Middletown, Matawan and questioning taxi drivers in an effort to determine the Legionnaire's whereabouts Saturday. He said there were no new developments.

### AGAIN QUESTION WOMEN

It was learned that police questioned for the second time Adamson's two girl friends, Mrs. Marian McMillen and Miss Tina Holgate, who admitted accompanying him on two separate drinking bouts last Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. McMillen, a hotel housekeeper, discovered Adamson dead in his Elkwood Hotel room at 11 a.m. Monday. Miss Holgate turned over to police Adamson's strong box containing \$3,727, most of it in \$500 and \$100 bills.

Adamson, a past commander of the Shrewsbury Post of the Legion, had recently returned from Washington where he attended the Legion's school on "subversive activities." He was one of four men picked by state legion officials to attend the Washington seminar to hear lectures by FBI agents and other government officials.



**HE WAS A 'DEAD END KID'** not so long ago, but recently Lee B. Gorsey spent a night in jail for allegedly firing three shots at his estranged wife. He is holding a writ of habeas corpus granted him by a Van Nuys, Cal., court.

## GM Signs Pact With UE Union

DETROIT, May 27 (UP).—General Motors Corp. and the CIO United Electrical Workers agreed on a two-year pact granting 40,000 GM electrical division employees a flat 11-cent wage increase and further boosts or reductions in pay based on the cost-of-living.

The agreement came as Chrysler and the CIO United Auto Workers went into a night bargaining session which Michigan Gov. Kim Sigler said would continue until a settlement of the walkout of 73,000 Chrysler workers was reached.

Harry W. Anderson, GM vice-president in charge of personnel and James J. Matles, director of organization for UE, jointly announced the wage agreement, which is subject to ratification by the UE membership.

Based on the wage formula achieved Tuesday by General Motors and the UAW, the contract provides for an 11-cent hourly increase May 29 and an additional three-cents an hour on May 29, 1949.

Of the 11-cent immediate boost, three cents represent an annual improvement in the wage rate and eight cents the cost-of-living adjustment.

## Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

**B**BRITAIN is complaining of poor relations with the United States. Because the Marshall Plan is turning her into one.



REG'LAR FELLERS—Model Friendship

By Gene Byrnes



## Leg Irons Put On Josephson in Journey to Jail

By Art Shields

It has just been learned that Department of Justice officials chained up Leon Josephson, Communist attorney, like a dog, while he was in transit to prison. This shocking disclosure came from Josephson himself in a letter to Samuel Neuberger of 76 Beaver St., attorney for the Civil Rights Congress.

Leg irons were still shackling Josephson's ankles when he was delivered to the warden at Milan, Mich., where he is serving a one-year term on a charge of "contempt" for the House Un-American Activities Committee.

Josephson rode in chains for several hundred miles. Attorney General Tom Clark's men put the leg irons on Josephson as he left Chillicothe, O., on the last lap of his trip to Milan.

Travelers who saw the pale, gray-haired lawyer hobbling in shackles to the washroom and back must have thought they were looking at some terrible bandit.

### TREATED LIKE BANDIT

Only bandits who shot it out with cops or other desperate criminals are so treated.

No American political prisoner has ever before been delivered in chains to the penitentiary.

No such treatment was even suggested in the case of Eugene Debs, Socialist leader, who was sentenced to ten years in Atlanta during the first world war, or of William D. "Big Bill" Haywood, famous IWW leader, who was given a 20-year term for his labor activities.

Josephson, however, was not charged with a felony. He was convicted in a misdemeanor case, and

shackles are never used in such cases.

### PROTEST TO CLARK

The Civil Rights Congress of 205 E. 42 St. is demanding quick punishment of the men who had Josephson chained up.

"This is cruel and inhuman treatment," said William Lawrence, CRC executive secretary, in a wire to Attorney General Clark last night.

"We demand that those responsible . . . be punished."

Lawrence called for a flood of public protests against this latest official brutality at once.

Other political prisoners will be treated even more savagely if the Department of Justice is permitted to persecute Josephson, said Lawrence.

The CRC leader pointed out that the chaining of Josephson was only the beginning of his prison persecution. Not long after he entered Milan he was locked up in "the hole" for two days and nights because he was too sick to eat the last spoonful of potatoes on his plate.

Josephson is still denied the mailing privileges given many other prisoners.

"I was informed," said Josephson in a letter to Neuberger, "that letters addressed to me by persons other than the seven on my approved list . . . were re-

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## Results of Packing Strike

By William Z. Foster National Chairman, Communist Party

THE NATIONAL STRIKE of the 100,000 CIO packinghouse workers has failed to secure the substantial wage increases demanded. The strike was lost because of the lack of solidarity between the unions in the industry (about one-third of the workers belong to the AFL union), and because the national AFL gave no assistance and the CIO very little to this very important struggle.

The defeat of the packinghouse workers signals a warning to the unions in other industries that, with big business on the offensive, they may also expect serious reverses unless they tighten up their ranks and begin to practice united labor action.

Three times the packinghouse workers have lost national strikes, and always because of the same basic weakness—divisions in the ranks of the workers. In 1904 these key workers went down to a crushing defeat because the various craft unions in the industry, organized into two separate jangling councils, failed to make a common front against the ruthless employers.

In 1920 the packinghouse workers lost again on a national scale. The progressives among the leadership, carefully avoiding the deadly mistake of 1904, originally had organized the craft unions into one tightly-knit council. But the reactionaries finally succeeded in splitting them into three quarreling groups of unions, with the result that when the split-weakened unions had to strike against a deep wage cut, their strength was gone and they lost out completely.

The 1948 strike of the packinghouse workers could have been won, given the necessary inter-union solidarity. The wage demands of the strikers were moderate and the economic conditions in the industry were favorable. But the AFL unions in the industry refused to make common cause with the CIO union. Going alone, the AFL union signed up for half of what it should have gotten. Then, when the CIO union struck, the AFL union worked all through the strike. Many AFL-controlled plants even worked double and triple shifts, thus helping the bosses break the strike of the striking CIO workers.

Neither William Green nor Philip Murray stirred a finger to end this disgraceful union strike-

breaking by developing a policy of united labor action. Small wonder, then, that the strike was defeated.

IN THEIR TWO EARLIER big strike defeats of 1904 and 1920, the packinghouse workers lost their unions as well as their demands. After the defeat of 1904, it took 13 years before the workers could re-establish their almost completely shattered unions. Meanwhile conditions in the packinghouse became about the worst of any industry in the country. After the strike loss of 1920, also, the workers' experience was almost as devastating. The unions were almost wiped out and wage and working conditions degenerated badly. It took 15 years before the unions again became a factor to be reckoned with in the big packinghouses.

These were truly serious penalties that the workers had to pay for the craft scabbery and conservative policies of their leaders.

After this newest defeat of the packinghouse workers, the latter will no doubt succeed in saving their CIO union. But the AFL threatens to do what it can to break the organization. The AFL union, taking advantage of the Taft-Hartley law, is planning to demand NLRB elections in the raid against the CIO union. Not satisfied with staying at work during the strike, the AFL union will now try to use the government NLRB to tear the CIO union to pieces. This is a pitiable mess, a disgrace to the labor movement.

ORGANIZED LABOR in this country had better wake up to the fact that such ruinous tactics as have marked the AFL during the national packinghouse workers' strike are bound, if uncorrected, to wreak havoc in the ranks of labor. The packinghouse union has been very seriously weakened, and a defeat in this vital industry is sure to have negative repercussions far and wide in the labor movement. More than that, unions in other industries, where similar duplications of unions and union raiding practices exist, may expect also to suffer defeats if they use similar tactics.

Big business is on the offensive. It is out to strip the workers of the economic gains they made during the Roosevelt regime, and to undermine the labor movement. The days of easily-won strikes are about over. Now the unions will have to begin to dig in and fight. To continue such divisive tactics as those used during the packinghouse strike would be disastrous. The war between the AFL and the CIO is a crime against the working class. Greater unity of labor is now a burning need. There must be united labor action, or else!

## Yergan Africa Council Plot Flops

Dr. Max Yergan, suspended as executive director of the Council on African Affairs Wednesday, failed yesterday to gain access to the council premises with police aid. Dr. Yergan, who has had a running fight with the council membership over policy questions since last February, was suspended, without pay, by the executive board, pending a hearing before the membership.

After suspending Dr. Yergan on charges brought by three council

members, Dr. Alpheus Hunton, council secretary was placed in charge of council affairs by the board. When Yergan sought to continue his functions yesterday he found Dr. Hunton and Doxie Wilkerson in possession of the premises.

Not gaining access he sought the aid of three policemen who, after gaining admittance, referred the matter to their superiors. The policemen accused Dr. Yergan of telling them burglars had broken into the offices when they were confronted with certified council resolutions establishing the authority of Hunton and Wilkerson.

The charges against Dr. Yergan upon which suspension was based were: 1) Frustrating the purposes of the council and bringing its name into ill-repute by his public behavior; 2) serious irregularities in the handling of council financial matters, and, 3) illegally and high-handedly seizing control of council property and seeking to maintain himself in office in defiance of the majority will of the membership. Spokesmen for the executive board

said yesterday that the board had found the evidence substantiated the charges.

A previous meeting of the council on March 25 was disrupted by Dr. Yergan, it was claimed, when he and his followers walked out because the proceedings were not to their liking. On April 21, spokesmen say, Paul Robeson and others were locked out of a scheduled council meeting by Dr. Yergan. Robeson is chairman of the council.

The original fight in the council grew out of a resolution presented to the council by Yergan which the majority characterized as a compromise with imperialism. Members of the executive board include, Mrs. Estelle Massey Osborne, Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, Dr. Herbert Aptheker, Charles Collins and Dr. Hunton.

### Really Burned Up

DETROIT (UP).—Frances Smasz, 18, told police that Edward Kucharski, 26, became so inflamed after they quarreled that he set fire to her house.



RICHARD LERNER, 2, is treated in Beth-El Hospital in Brooklyn for a possible skull fracture. An out-of-control auto hit the carriage he was lying in and knocked him down a flight of cellar steps.

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## 2 More Dockers Murdered--By Speedup

By Joseph North

No guns flashed in this latest waterfront tragedy that took the lives of two men; the authorities call it "just another accident"; but the murderer is more deadly than the mobster. The silent killer—speedup—has murdered or maimed half a million men since 1928, the cold statistics tell you. No fanfare in the press, the authorities shrug their shoulders, the ship sails away. And the families mourn.

Vincent Ambrosino was in the prime of life a few days ago: he is near death today in his cot at St. Peter's Hospital in Brooklyn. He could scarcely move his lips to tell me he couldn't talk.

Ambrosino is the sole survivor of a trio of longshoremen who worked these docks the best years of their lives, until the hatchcover weighing a ton and a half dropped on them and snuffed out two lives. The three were life-long friends who usually worked together.

This time death struck on the freighter Republic of Venezuela, of the Grancolombiana Line, at the foot of Poplar street. The men had just finished filling Hatch No. 4 and were standing on the cargo, their bodies half above deck, when it happened without a second's warning. Dock Boss Forrester knew "nothing about it." It happened on the ship, he was quick to tell me. "Out of my jurisdiction."

The rest of the men who worked with those who got killed? "Oh, they were just an extra gang. They refused to return to the ship and dispersed," he said. The pier guard only knew that "two men were killed and an ambulance came."

Crushed to death were Vincent Ambrosino, 54, of 9 Third street, and Vincent La Vadera, 51, of 429 Clinton St., both of Brooklyn's Red Hook. Another Vincent Ambrosino, 53, of 213 Carroll street, cousin of the dead man and foreman on the job, is the survivor I saw at St. Peter's.

I went to La Vadera's home: all that's left of his life is a battered trunk. His roommate respectfully rummaged through it while I was there—a couple of blue shirts, a white shirt or two for Sundays, and a colored picture of La Vadera's wife and two children in Naples. "That's all that's left of La Vadera," his friend said. "After 22 years on the docks."

At Mrs. Ambrosino's cold-water flat on Third St., the family had just returned from the funeral: the widow, a son and a daughter. Mrs. Ambrosino cried: "All these years I told Vincent to get away from the docks. It'll kill you, I said. But he never left, till they brought him home dead. How did it happen? How do I know? I never was on a ship, I don't know how they work except they work hard and then they're dead."

Talk to the men who knew the three and their story is simple. "It happens every day. The company pushes, pushes, pushes. Speed it up, speed it up. The

union doesn't fight for safety rules. It can happen to anybody. If there were rules that the hatch cover was securely lashed and there was inspection, this wouldn't happen. But there's no rules, the men don't have time to take care of themselves, they got to sweat and produce."

So the killer is the shipping companies' drive for dividends, the stevedoring company's drive for production, the failure of Joe Ryan's union to fight for a worthy safety code.

So half a million men have been killed or crippled since 1928.

As Mrs. Ambrosino said: "That's the longshoreman's life." So it will be until the dockers take matters in hand and build a union that will serve the men's interests; so it will be until they win a safety code that will rid the waterfront of the biggest killer—the company's cold drive for profits.

Otherwise—more speed-up, more widows, more orphans.

## All Areas Rush Dollars For Fight on Mundt Bill Board of Estimate Approves Five Veterans' Housing Projects

By Michael Singer

The letters—and the dollars—backing the Communist Party's fight to stop the police state Mundt bill are coming in from every corner of the United States, said Jack Kling, the Party's national treasurer, yesterday.

Heartening as the response has been, Kling stressed, the job must be stepped up to meet the headlong speed with which the Mundt bill is now being steamrollered through the Senate.

Top priority in this effort, Kling declared, must be the completion of the Communists' emergency \$500,000 drive. These funds, he emphasized, have been and are being used to reach millions of Americans through press, radio and literature with the story of the Mundt bill.

LETTERS  
The impact of the Party's fighting message, Kling said, is evidenced in the letters being received. One Chicagoan wrote that the Communists' anti-Mundt bill campaign rates for the Party "the Congressional Medal of Honor."

"What other organized body of Americans claiming leadership for the good of America," the letter asks, "can, in the struggle against the Mundt bill, demonstrate the record comparable to yours?"

One who "read your appeal in The Nation and New Republic," writes, "I agree that anyone who stands idly by while the Mundt bill becomes law helps to murder the Bill of Rights." This Worcester, Mass., believer in democracy enclosed \$10.

A Michigan worker sent \$5, writing simply, "God's blessing on your noble work."

A Negro woman, contributing her dollar, wrote national Communist Party chairman William Z. Foster, "We Negroes have long been victims of the Gestapo techniques, and it will be a sorry day for the people of America when such techniques become the law of the land."

Kling offered the congratulations of the Communist Party's National Committee to the Party district or-

ganizations which have thus far done an outstanding job in the fund drive.

New England, with a goal of \$10,000, including \$4,000 to be turned into the national office, has turned in its \$4,000. Philadelphia, with a \$10,000 quota, has turned in \$7,500. The state of Washington has turned in \$8,000 of a \$10,000 quota, pledging completion by next week.

Kling added, pointedly, that the Party is "extremely anxious" to hear from New Jersey.

He urged that Communists organize radio house parties to hear the Foster-Mundt debate on the latter's bill Monday evening, both to spur the drive against Senate passage of the measure and to step up completion of the fighting fund.

Veterans yesterday won the first round of their long campaign for a \$200,000,000 medium rent housing program, to be financed by the City. The Board of Estimate, in adopting five of the 15 planned non-subsidy projects, approved construction of 3,970 apartments—the first of a 17,000-unit program.

The 15 projects will accommodate 17,000 families at \$16 per room per month. Top income for veteran families will be \$3,984, and not the \$4,500 income limitation originally set by the City Housing Authority.

### SITE OF PROJECTS

The sites selected yesterday are:

The St. Nicholas Houses, bounded by 127 and 129 Sts., and by Seventh and Eighth Aves., Manhattan; the Dyckman Houses bounded by Nagle Ave., Dyckman St., Tenth Ave. and Academy St., Manhattan; the Gun Hill Houses, bounded by Gun Hill Rd., Magenta

St., White Plains Rd. and Holland Ave., Bronx; the Pelham Parkway Houses, bounded by Waring, Wallace and Bronxwood Aves. and Pelham Parkway, Bronx, and the Todd Hill Houses bounded by Schmidt's Lane, Manor Rd., Todd Hill Rd. and Erdmann St., Richmond.

The Board of Estimate deferred until June 17, selection of the Colonial Houses site, adjacent to the Polo Grounds, after hearing objections from Councilman Stanley M. Isaacs, George Hallett, of the Citizens Union and George Feeley, attorney and treasurer for the New York Giants.

The main objections to city taxpayers came from real estate and taxpayers groups in Queens, who voiced the same arguments which stymied selection of the Jackson Heights veterans projects several months ago.

### OBJECT TO PUBLIC HOUSING

The realty representatives insisted on private construction of large scale developments, and demanded that the veteran be made to pay the full tax burden "even if they are veterans, and even if they are homeless," as Frank Stephany, of the Glendale taxpayers, put it.

Bronx Borough president James Lyons asked Stephany: "What'll you do with the veterans?"

"Let private industry do it," Stephany hollered back.

"If you let private industry have it the veterans will never have a place to live," Lyons shouted back.

### STYMIED BY REALTY MEN

City Council President Vincent R. Impellitteri pointed out how the city has been stymied by the attitude of private interests and said the action of the board was the only way in which these veterans could be housed at low cost rentals.

"Are you against low cost public housing?" Lyons asked Stephany.

"Definitely," Stephany replied.

"That's the attitude of this Congress, and as a result there's been no public housing, and the veterans have no homes," Lyons asserted.

Then Stephany, pointing a nervous finger at the Bronx president, wailed:

"Don't tell me we're going to have the Kerensky idea here of having me, a World War I veteran, sacrifice to the World War Mayor O'Dwyer declared that 'whether or not private industry is able to build housing, they certainly are not willing to build.'"

Among those appearing to request approval of the projects were Lawrence Knobel, American Vet-

erans Committee leader; Herbert Bierman of the Emergency Committee on Rent and Housing, spokesmen from the Queens County Council of the Progressive Citizens of America; the Jewish War Veterans; the New York City Veterans Council; the Sunnyside and Woodside Emergency Committee on Rent and Housing, Jackson Heights PCA, the Queens County Catholic War Veterans and the Queens American Legion.

### Gandhi's Slayers Brought to Trial

NEW DELHI, May 27 (UP).—Nathuran Vinayak Godse and eight co-defenders were brought to trial today for the murder of Mohandas K. Gandhi, spiritual leader of India's Hindu millions who was shot to death last February.

The nine defendants were charged with murder, conspiracy to murder and violations of the explosives act in a brief two-hour session.



**Suds You!** Farmer gives the beat a horse laugh as he laps up beer in a saloon after a hard day's work on a farm on the outskirts of Chicago.

## SAY HALF OF AMERICA HAS ATHLETE'S FOOT

CHICAGO, May 27 (UP).—Half of all Americans have athlete's foot, two doctors said tonight.

They added that at least half of all school children show some form of the irritating affliction while attending classes.

G. T. Stafford and C. O. Jackson of the University of Illinois said most persons, especially adults, have athlete's foot a number of times, but that the great majority of cases are mild.

They discussed the disease in Hygeia, health magazine of the American Medical Association.

The doctors said they based their estimate of the number of persons affected on medical examination

records of the armed forces and of colleges and universities.

The fungus that causes the disease is found chiefly in locker, shower and dressing rooms, on shoes, garters, towels and other fabrics, and on the human body.

The doctors said that footbaths containing fungus-killing preparations were ineffective in battling athlete's foot, because they do not allow sufficient contact to kill the disease-producing spores.

They recommended that floors and other places likely to be contaminated be scrubbed and treated

with a fungicide at least once a week.

Shoes and stockings should be dusted with a suitable powder, they said, and fungi on the body should be treated with a non-irritating liquid germicide.

### Swap Tools for Coal

WARSAW, May 27 (UP).—France will exchange \$60,000,000 worth of manufactured goods for Polish coal under a five-year investment agreement signed here yesterday, it was announced today.

Under another agreement concluded yesterday, France and Poland will exchange broadcasts and possibly radio symphony conductors.

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**VIRGIL—Scared Off**



By Len Kleis



## Charge U. S. Planes Encroach on China Liberated Areas

NORTH SHENSI, May 27 (Telepress). — A protest against the cloak-and-dagger methods by which American authorities in China are communicating with the Liberated Areas has been addressed to the U. S. by the Chinese People's Liberation Army.

### Call Parley To Set Up New Chinese Gov't

HONG KONG, China, May 27.—The Central committee of the Chinese Communist Party has issued a call for a conference to discuss the establishment of a "democratic coalition government." The call urged all people's organizations and enlightened social leaders to call a political consultative conference to convene a people's representative assembly for the democratic coalition government.

The conference will exclude Chiang Kai-shek and other reactionaries who started the civil war. All political parties and groups who oppose the civil war and the reactionary regime in Nanking have been invited.

The central committee of the Chinese Communist Party called on "workers and employees of the liberated areas, and of the Chiang Kai-shek areas, to establish a united workers' organization of the workers of the entire country."

The Chinese Communist Party's central committee called upon the Chinese workingclass to unite with all workers throughout the world to oppose the program of American imperialism. This program, it said, seeks to enslave the national liberation movement, the democratic struggle and the trade union movements of Asia, Europe and the Americas.

This follows an incident in which an unidentified aeroplane flew over liberated territory in Central Hopei on May 3 and dropped three letters, one addressed to the local Democratic Government, from the U. S. Consul-General in Peiping, requesting assistance in the "return to their native countries" of 12 nuns from a Canadian mission near Hsienhsien.

This action, taken without informing the Liberated Areas Government in advance or obtaining permission, was in fact "illegal activity, encroaching on the air sovereignty of our Liberated Areas," states the People's Army protest.

"This kind of activity," it adds, "is liable to produce unfortunate consequences, especially in the present military situation. . . . In the event of the U. S. having matters on which negotiations must be conducted with us in the future, they should first dispatch personnel by land and establish liaison with us."

So far as the return of the nuns is concerned, the statement points out, freedom of religion is a vital part of the policy of the Liberated Areas governments and the nuns are free to leave if they wish to do so.

### Glen Taylor Rally In Philly June 10

PHILADELPHIA, May 27. — A "Glen Taylor Rally," which will also be dedicated as a memorial meeting for the late Robert New, NMU port agent murdered in Charleston, S. C., will be held June 10.



**Gets Wrong Award:** Attorney General Tom Clark gets "Americanism" award from James Callaghan, national commander of the Army and Navy Union, for his anti-Communist activities.

## WALLACE CUTS WEST TRIP TO TESTIFY ON MUNDT BILL

COEUR D'ALENE, Ida., May 27.—Henry A. Wallace said here last night that he was interrupting his western tour to return to Washington to testify against the Mundt bill.

Fresh from a swing through Oregon Wallace landed at the air port here yesterday to join Senator Glen Taylor, his vice-presidential running mate, for two major appearances. Both left this morning by chartered plane for Pocatello, but Wallace will proceed to Washington and Taylor alone will fill that speaking engagement.

"Nothing is more important than bringing about the speedy defeat of the vicious Mundt bill," Wallace said at a mass meeting of 1,100 at the Fair Grounds here.

Both Taylor and Wallace will confer with a delegation of Western

trade union leaders in Pocatello before the chartered plane takes off for Washington. Wallace is scheduled to appear before the Senate Judiciary Committee Saturday morning.

Wallace and Taylor discarded prepared speeches at the meeting here to lash out at the Mundt bill and racial discrimination. Taylor recounted his recent segregation experiences in Alabama, and drew a standing ovation from his home state listeners when he said that it is a crime to restrict the opportunities of any group, and that this includes the western Indians.

Wallace called on his listeners to bombard their Senators with protests against the Mundt bill. Besides paying admission, the audience contributed more than \$1,200 in the collection.

## PARTY DRIVE

### Pack a Wallop

Imagine recruiting into the Communist Party a whole branch of packinghouse workers all at one clip. Well, stop imagining. It has been done.

All during the long weeks of the meat packing strike, members of the West Side Region of the Communist Party were out on the picket lines. In addition, they helped by collecting food, and actually bringing it down all cooked to the picket line.

Last Saturday night, the Communist clubs ran a big party for the meat packing workers. Invitations were distributed on the picket lines. All sort of arrangements were made to guarantee that they would get there. Results paid off! Over 100 packinghouse workers showed up at the party.

Half the job was done. The other half consisted in guaranteeing recruiting at the party by actually organizing it. Fifteen packinghouse workers joined the party that night!

## French Jail 12 Greek Sailors

PARIS, May 27.—(Telepress).—Twelve Greek sailors were arrested, and one taken to the hospital, after French police forced their way on to the Greek ship Edinost, in the port of Rouen. Rouen workers held a protest meeting.

The crew went on strike a fortnight ago because the owners refused to pay them the \$80 premiums due after six months' service.

At the request of the Greek Consul, the French authorities stopped the supply of food and water to the ship to break the strike. The sailors were without rations for several days.

## Greek Gov't Persecutes Romanians

BUCHAREST, May 27 (Telepress). — The Romanian Government's note to Athens demanding immediate cessation of the cruel persecution to which the Romanian minority in Greek Macedonia is subjected serves as a reminder that Romania has her own good reasons to be interested in Greek affairs.

Today, several hundred thousand Romanians in Northern Greece are suffering treatment closely resembling Nazi methods for the two reasons that they are Romanians and that they support the Greek Army of Liberation led by General Markos. Their support for Markos, like their active participation in the Resistance during the German occupation, is mainly due to the realization, confirmed by bitter experience, that no reactionary government respects the rights of minorities even when, as in the case of the Romanians in Greece, these are specifically guaranteed by special treaty clauses. (The Treaty of Bucharest, concluded in 1913, includes provisions dealing with the right of the Romanian minority in Greece to run their own schools and churches).

Romanian schools and churches in 91 places have been closed or destroyed; Romanian homes have been leveled to the ground and many Romanian-speaking Greeks have been deported. The Romanian Government now asks Athens to reopen Romanian cultural institutions and to guarantee their proper functioning as provided for in the United Nations Charter.

# Mr. Abs Gets Absolution and New Job

By Richard Sasuly

By Federated Press

A few weeks ago there was brief mention in a few newspapers of a man named Herman Abs. Abs had been offered the job of head of the central bank for "Trizonia," the combined U. S., British and French zones in western Germany.

To 999 out of 1,000 Americans the name of Herman Abs could mean nothing. The couple of paragraphs about him which the papers carried were the kind you skip over on your way to something else.

By chance, the name meant a great deal to me. In the summer of 1945 in Germany I was one of several GI's who burned up considerable gas and rubber in jeeps and C & R's trying to lay hands on Abs.

We wanted Abs because we had some questions to ask him. We were pretty sure that if we found and interrogated him he would wind up in jail. We had documents which proved that Abs was

a ring leader in the looting of countries overrun by the Nazis.

It turned out that we were wrong—not about the facts but about what would happen to our Mr. Abs.

### BANK BIG SHOT

Abs had been a leading official in the Deutsche bank. The Deutsche Bank was one of a group known as the "big six" banks.

The "big six" came close to being the most powerful group in Germany. Through interlocking directorships they had strong influence in every industry in Germany. Their officials sat in the highest councils of the Nazi state.

When the war came, Abs and the other leaders of the "big six" cashed in. They took a cut every time a concern was grabbed from Jewish owners. They acted as brokers in loot, cutting the pie with Goering and the SS as the Nazis seized the industries of each conquered country.

The ordinary soldier in the Wehrmacht could say "I didn't

know what I was doing" or "I had to follow orders." This was hardly the case with Abs and his friends. They knew exactly what they were doing. They gave the orders. They took the profits.

By capturing Abs we couldn't bring dead Jews back to life or rebuild shattered factories. But we thought we could exact a measure of justice. And we hoped we could discourage the kind of greed which leads to aggression.

Eventually we located Abs. He had moved to the British zone of Germany. We asked that he be handed over to us. The answer came back that he couldn't be spared. He was being used as a financial adviser in the British zone.

### HEALTHIER CLIMATE

Finally the Nazi-hunters were sent home from Germany. The climate in Germany became healthier for Abs and his friends. The Nazi business leaders who had expected short trials and long ropes at Nuremberg found that

they still had influence in international cartel circles.

More important, it began to appear that the old international cartel circles had the main voice in the allied military governments. Charges against the I. G. Farben directors were dismissed by the Nuremberg tribunal. Abs was offered the job of heading the main bank for western Germany.

As it worked out, Abs is not holding that job today. He turned it down.

The offer of the job was made in good faith, but Abs wasn't satisfied with the terms. He wanted dictatorial power to override any decision of the bank's board of directors. The German bank directors themselves were unwilling to grant him quite as much power as he might have had under Hitler. And so Abs is still available for any job of sufficient importance that can be found for him.





Locust From Egypt:

Egyptian troops march into the Jewish Deir Yassin settlement north of the city of Gaza.

## YOUTH IN REVIEW:

## NAM Paints a 'Rosy' Picture

ARE you unhappy in your present job? Would you rather be an executive than a shipping clerk? Don't let it get you down. It all can be arranged. Just go see Mr. Phillip W. Schindel, employment manager of L. Bamberger & Co. He'll take good care of you.

You see, according to Mr. Schindel, "your special interests, abilities and hobbies can be translated into paying job. Do you have mechanical ability? We need machines. Do you have a friendly personality? We need salesmen. How many books do you read? Have you participated in dramatics, or have you much experience in writing? Is interior

decorating your hobby? Do you have a flair for art, for balance and layout? . . . For every personal skill there is a corresponding job.

That's what the man said and he wasn't talking about socialism, either. He said it in the May issue of Achievement, which is a magazine published by Junior Achievement, Inc., "in the interests of young people looking ahead to careers."

As you may already know, Junior Achievement, Inc., is an NAM-sponsored outfit aiming at rearing the young generation in the spirit of "free enterprise." That's not the simplest job in the world when you consider how little free enterprise has to offer young people. So men of distinction like Mr. Schindel are trotted out in this magazine to spin out comforting little fairy tales like the one just quoted.

I'VE JUST FINISHED some random reading of the kind of printed stuff being offered American teen-agers by big business these days. If anyone thinks the youth of the country are being neglected by the powers that be, they're way off the track. It's true that free enterprise is not providing decent education, decent jobs, or the kind of security with which young people can go out and get married and raise families. But that doesn't mean young people are being neglected.

These days they're being deluged with very carefully prepared "ideas" all skillfully designed to take their minds off their real problems and make them loyal, devoted, and blissfully ignorant cogs in the free enterprise machine.

Junior Achievement and its publication, Achievement, are only one example of what I mean. Apart from the article already mentioned, the May issue contains an inspiring little feature titled, "The Biggest Lesson I Ever Learned." Here a number of "people who made good" offer bits of advice culled from their own experiences.

J. Edgar Hoover, offered as a model for young Americans, writes about fair play. The president of the Graybar Electric Co. offers the advice that "an employe should always show the

same consideration for his employer when he is going to make a change in his position as he expects from his boss." The assistant to the president at Funk & Wagnall, says, "I think the biggest lesson I ever learned was not to talk back."

AND SO IT GOES all through the magazine. There's nothing wrong with society. If you know people who haven't fared so well, it only proves that they didn't develop the proper qualities in their own personalities—like showing consideration for the boss and keeping their mouths shut.

Here is a batch of anti-union stuff that doesn't mention union once. It's not necessary. Any young person swallowing this hokum month after month is bound to grow up opposed to organization. This is the purest kind of company stooge propaganda angled toward young people.

And the pay-off appears in a little item concerning the approaching national conference of Junior Achievement in August. States one paragraph of the item, "All teen-agers wishing to attend the conference are advised to make a good showing in the next two months so as to win the appointment from their local director."

Translate that into a mental attitude for these teen-agers when they grow up and you get something like this: Make a good showing on the job and the boss will take care of you.

Well, figure it out for yourself now. Maybe a couple of hundred thousand teen-agers read this stuff fairly regularly. Is that something for the progressive and trade union movement to worry about? And this is only a sample.

From time to time we'll show you what's being thrown at young people in high schools and through certain comic books and you'll begin to see how the whole young generation is being poisoned by a very neatly worked out ideological campaign being conducted by big business.

The adult progressives are cutting the ground from under themselves if they don't begin quickly to concern themselves with this problem.

## FRISCO LOCALS VOTE AGAINST NAT'L CIO ON ERP, 3d PARTY

SAN FRANCISCO, May 27, (FP).—Final tabulation of votes of affiliated locals of the San Francisco CIO Council shows 68 percent against national CIO policy on the Marshall plan and third party, 11 percent for, and 21 percent not voting.

As a result of the vote, the council will continue its policy of remaining neutral on both issues rather than following policy. Similar neutral positions have been adopted by the California, Alameda and Los

Angelas CIO Councils.

The northern California PAC, appointed by the national CIO office to supplant the state PAC, has voted to endorse Frank B. Havenner (D), Richard J. Welch (R) and George P. Miller (D), all incumbents, for Congress.

The San Francisco CIO, which has refused to recognize the new PAC, has endorsed Charles Garry against Welch because of Welch's vote for the Mundt bill.

## Hit Pressure Against 'Churchman' Award

Dr. Guy Emery Shieler, editor of The Churchman, yesterday expressed regret that a representative of the provisional government of the state of Israel had refused to accept the publication's annual award because of "pressure." The award is given to those who advance "good will and better understanding among all peoples" by the Churchman, a Protestant Episcopal magazine.

The award was to have been made at the annual dinner of the publication set for next Thursday at the Waldorf-Astoria. Instead of an award, a special citation to the new state of Israel will be given as planned, said Dr. Shieler.

The refusal of Major Aubrey S. Eban to accept the award followed a similar refusal by Secretary of State Marshall on Wednesday. Marshall originally accepted but when the publication Counter-Attack, an anti-Communist newsletter, published an attack on The Churchman and Dr. Shieler, Marshall withdrew.

"Invidious distortions concerning The Churchman," said Shieler yesterday, "is another example of an organized attack on freedom of the press which we are defending against individuals and groups who do not subscribe to the principles of true American democracy."

He cited the long history of The Churchman since 1804 and stated that recipients of its awards included Franklin D. Roosevelt, William Allen White, Wendell Willkie, Eleanor Roosevelt, Bernard Baruch, Henry A. Wallace and Gen. Eisenhower.

## CORRECTION

A typographical error distorted a sentence in yesterday's editorial on GM'S WAGE OFFER. The sentence obviously should have read: "The money values which Labor creates are always far greater than the money values which Labor gets back . . ."

## Fielding Quits, Takes Job With Loew's

Mayor O'Dwyer yesterday announced the resignation of License Commissioner Benjamin Fielding, effective June 30. Fielding will join Loew's, Inc., in an executive capacity on July 1, and gave family reasons for his resignation.

Fielding will be "loaned" from time to time to the Mayor's Committee on Administration, O'Dwyer said.

Fielding did not specify what his job with Loew's would be, nor his salary, but it was understood, that it is much more than the \$15,000 he received as commissioner.

The Mayor did not comment on his choice for a successor to Fielding.

The mayor appointed three new judges and named a new deputy commissioner of the Department of Licenses. The new appointees are Max Melzer, former law secretary to Controller Josephs, as municipal court justice to succeed Saul Price who resigned; John Prendergast, Negro Democratic leader, formerly secretary in the Supreme Court, as city magistrate, to succeed James Lanzetta, who has become Domestic Relations Court judge; Thomas M. O'Neill, former secretary of the Department of Licenses, to second deputy commissioner.

The Mayor also reappointed Darwin Teleford, a Negro, as Civil Service commissioner for a term of six years.

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## Tonight Manhattan

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REMEMBER the Heroes who gave their lives for Democracy. Pre-Memorial Day meeting. Lodge 500 I.W.O. 77 Fifth Ave. 8:30 p.m. Speaker, Sid Reiter. "Have Our Heroes Died in Vain?" Rendition "Ballad of FDR." Refreshments. Admission free.

## Tonight Bronx

HEAR Aaron Kramer. "New Foundations of Poetry." Hunts Point AYD. 1029 E. 163 St. 8:30 p.m. Admission free.

DISCUSSION on the Mundt Bill, and its effect upon the JPFO, at 1 E. 167 St. Friday at 8:30 p.m. Youth Lodge 521. JYP.

## Tomorrow Manhattan

LAST CHANCE, Dance-a-Round. Square dance, drink, be merry, last fling before finals. Ernie Lieberman, Folksay Quartet, others. Instruction fee 50c. Furriers Union Hall, 250 W. 26th St. 8:30 p.m., May 29. OUR CORN does not refer to jokes. Fresh Corn-on-the-Cob Party. Hot and right from the farm. Square dancing, refreshments. Saturday, May 29, 8 p.m. Adm. 60c. Aup.: Chelsea and Waterfront Sections CP. 269 W. 25th St.

MUSICAL HISTORY. American Premiere of Prokofiev's "The Duenna," special preview on Saturday evening at Greenwich Mews Playhouse, 141 W. 13 St. Tickets 90c to \$2.40. 8:30 p.m.

DANCE Tomorrow Night, at the Penthouse Ballroom, 13 Astor Place. Saturday night May 29. Continuous music by Walt Helmer and Orchestra. Sponsored by American Veterans Committee, West Side Chapter 21.

## Tomorrow Brooklyn

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## Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

### Czechoslovaks Prepare To Go to the Polls

**T**HE CZECHOSLOVAK people are going to the polls this Sunday to elect a new parliament for six-year terms on the basis of the first postwar Constitution, finally completed last month. It is not an election to decide which road the Czechoslovak nation is to take. This was decided in the February revolution, which balked the right-wing coup d'etat and decisively smashed those elements who wanted to take Czechoslovakia backwards. The May 30 election will confirm the February events; more than that, it will register popular satisfaction with the advances made since February in Czechoslovakia's double-quick-time pace toward socialism.



And the advances, when you add them up, are impressive. Politically, the right-wing, capitalist, and pro-imperialist elements, who had a much larger share in the state administration than their popularity ever warranted, have been retired from public life. Some 8,300 removals of this kind have taken place; a score or so of these are facing trials on specific charges of conspiracy. On the other hand, the really remarkable new feature has been the participation of the "action committees" as auxiliaries to the government. These committees cut across party class lines and are made up of the best and most active people in each community, factory or other institution and they take a direct hand in law-making and law-enforcement.

Then there has been the new role of the trade union federation, which took a share in the government for the first time last February. The trade union president, Antonin Zapotocky, became vice-premier, and the trade union general secretary, Evzan Erban, is minister of social welfare.

Third, there's been the decision to merge the two working class parties, the Social-Democrats and the Communists, now decided in principle although not yet completed. In Slovakia, the right-wing "Democratic Party" has dissolved.

And there has been a great influx into Communist ranks, now numbering more than two million. In May, 1946, the Communists got two-fifths of the vote with a membership of one million. Now they are unquestionably an absolute majority force. In Prague alone, there are 300,000 Communists in a population of one million. In Kladno, a major industrial city, some 55 percent of the voters are Party members.

**T**HIS INTERNAL change reflects concrete accomplishments of the past three months. There was, of course, the new constitution. A new system of social insurance has been put into effect, giving "cradle-to-grave security" for the whole working population. The agrarian reform, held up by the previous cabinet, has passed. And nationalization has been extended to all enterprises with more than 50 workers. In particular, nationalization in the building trades and foodstuffs manufacture will overcome the black-marketeering and lag in housing that caused such dissatisfaction last winter. And the government is now empowered to control wholesale trade and foreign trade, decisive areas of the economy previously in private hands.

**S**OME SIGNIFICANT advances have taken place in Czechoslovakia's foreign affairs. There have been friendship pacts with Bulgaria and Romania. But the economic side is most interesting. Poland has granted the Czechs a free port at Stettin on the Baltic Sea, and full use of the Oder River, following a Polish economic delegation's visit to Prague in March. This ends Czechoslovakia's dependence on expensive rail communications and on Trieste.

**T**HUS, CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S 8,000,000 voters (above 18 years of age) will be ratifying substantial facts when they vote for the National Front list on Sunday. Any 1,000 voters can put up opposition candidates, and anybody can vote the traditional "white list," indicating complete opposition to the government. But no opposition candidates have come forward. And the white lists are not likely to be filled in. For Czechoslovakia's outstanding achievement has really been her unity in making rapid strides forward toward a more abundant life.

### REQUIRED READING

BY GLUYAS WILLIAMS



## Letters from Readers

### Tribute to A. I. Fisher

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I know that you are pressed for space, but I think the recent death of A. I. Fisher, an active Communist of the Bronx, merits special notice. He died at the age of 55 of coronary thrombosis.

To the very last day of his life he was out getting signatures protesting the Mundt Bill. Undoubtedly his activities shortened his life. He knew his days were numbered and he wanted every day to count in helping the forces of progress.

Over three hundred people attended his funeral. There were speakers from various organizations of different political opinions. Three speakers from the Workmen's Circle eulogized him, in addition to those from the IWO, the Pharmacists Union and the Communist Party.

Even his political enemies respected and admired him. He was a person of special qualities that endeared him to all those who came in contact with him—sincere, understanding, modest and always willing to help, with a profound understanding of Marxism. He was one of the few in his club who was not convinced of Browder's revisionism; yet he worked conscientiously. He planted the seed of socialism wherever he was—selling subscriptions to the paper he considered vital to all workers—The Worker.

He was the kind of guy the bourgeoisie would build monuments to if he were one of them. His monument is in the hearts of all who knew him, enshrined forever. I consider it a privilege to have known him and been one of his friends. May your paper continue the fight to make his dreams of socialism come true.

FRANK WEISSMAN.

## Press Roundup

PM's Jennings Perry sees "a trend—perhaps not a trend but a pattern—of reviving sanity" in the Virden and daughter case. Perry believes daughter Euphemia Virden "is a good American like her father—and just as good. That she has just as much right to copy for Tass and be a good American as papa has to coordinate industry for the Department of Commerce and be hailed as a good American by President Truman and the rest of us. . . . We are going to trust Mr. Virden on the public payroll even though his daughter works for the Russians—and the Russians are going to trust Euphemia in their office and on their payroll even though her father works for Mr. Sawyer. One is tempted to sigh and say, 'hands across the sea.'"

**THE POST'S** T. O. Thackrey urges lifting of the arms embargo on Israel and further: "Seek to include the world's newest democracy in ERP, as well as our widespread material and military mission program. Secure for them—and for us—this island of democracy in the sea of feudalism, reaction and oil that is the Middle East."

**THE HERALD TRIBUNE** says the Security Council "should immediately direct all members of the United Nations to desist from giving further military or economic aid to the countries that

have refused to observe the ceasefire." The Trib also urges "real Anglo-American understanding" and regrets that the British are "willing to jeopardize the excellent British-American relations which have grown so close over the last 10 years. . . ."

**THE TIMES** terms the Arab rejection "unrealistic" and a "defiance of the United Nations," and urges the U. S. government to "recognize Israel's right to fight for its life. It should be our purpose and our policy at least to equalize the conditions of that fight."

**THE MIRROR** wants MacArthur home: "Every Communist knows General MacArthur is the most effective foe of totalitarian America has produced. Let us call home this expert witness."

**THE NEWS** apologizes for upping from two to three cents: "But that's the way it goes in a period of war-produced inflation."

**THE SUN** thinks Truman has asked for "too much on Social Security" and proposes that both parties "concentrate on part of the program. The present legislative logjam in Congress means that only by bipartisan agreement can any social security legislation be passed at this session."

## World of Labor

By George Morris

### The Thinking That's Behind the GM Formula

**W**HATEVER WILL BE the final disposition of General Motors' wage proposal, the offer points to something new on the horizon, and employer sources are getting quite joyful about it. There are two ways of looking at it: the 11-cent boost now and the longer range effect.

It is the longer-range effect that employers are most interested in, and their joy is founded on the feeling that they will have the ultimate advantage at a low cost now. The two-way escalator clause is not a "new" and "progressive" wage policy as leaders of the United Automobile Workers claim. It is a transitory move toward a declining wage curve. Isn't it rather significant that throughout the years since 1941 GM never suggested tying wages to the cost of living?



**G**ENERAL MOTORS' economists have apparently come to the conclusion that the boom is coming to a close, and that by next year it may spend its force. They apparently do not yet see a big dive in the cost of living. For that reason they agreed to limit a downward wage revision to only five cents in either of the two years. Their formula further indicates that they don't see much of a risk in offering workers an unlimited upward wage revision commensurate with the rise in the cost-of-living index. At least they must figure that if the first or second quarter does result in an upward swing of several points, all and then some would be kicked back at later stages of the contract.

The framers of the formula, and the union leaders who back it, must be counting more on hindsight than foresight among the workers for its acceptance. A decade of steadily rising employment and cost of living has developed the feeling among many that things will keep going onward in the same direction, and that tying wages to the cost of living would mean greater security to workers.

**T**HE MIND of the average worker is influenced by the following experience. During the four wartime years, he was held to a "Little Steel Formula" that held his basic pay down to no more than 15 percent above the January, 1941, standard. But by the time the Nazis were being mopped up even the distrusted Bureau of Labor Statistics index rose to 26 percent above January, 1941. Things weren't so bad when there were 10 to 20 hours of overtime. But when that was cut off, the worker began to feel he was worse off in real wages than at the start of the war.

Then came the race with the cost of living. Each wage raise only partly covered the loss already suffered at the consuming end. It was so with the 18½-cent round and even more so with the 15-cent "package" that came after OPA was killed. The BLS index is now at 169.3.

Recently, when CIO economists prepared the case for the third round, they decided to forget about the loss the workers suffered up until the end of the war and compared conditions as they developed since January, 1945. They found that although the average weekly take-home in manufacturing in January, 1945, was \$45 and it is around \$52 today; in terms of 1945 dollars the wage worker purchases only \$38 worth today with the \$52. So there has been an actual decrease of about 15 percent in REAL WAGES for the period. And that, it should be borne in mind, is shown by figures of the BLS index, which fails to take into account several factors that affect a wage earner's budget.

**T**HE GM FORMULA would clean the slate for a new start with a payoff on old debts that actually amounts to about four percent for the two years. From there on, so the backers of the formula figure, revision is to go only downward. In effect they tell the workers to forget about catching up with the last losses or any dreams of improvements. Some people may not feel alarmed now because of the downward restriction in the escalator. But it should also be remembered that the cost of living does not dive along with the economic curve. It follows the decline slowly.

The important point in the GM "transition" formula is that it amounts to an acceptance of the principle of tying wages to the cost of living. The minds behind it figure that by the time 1950 negotiations roll around even the BLS index might show some appreciable decline, the escalator will be well oiled up and speeded up, and all restrictions in its downward path will be removed.

**COMING: Draft Resolution for the Communist Party Convention . . . in the weekend Worker**



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## Still Stalling

**W**HAT has happened to the big loan which President Truman promised to the new state of Israel, or the lifting of the arms embargo which was also promised?

Israel's new provisional President, Chaim Weitzmann, told the press that's what Washington promised. That's the way the country understood it. But, so far, there's not a sign of any loans or of the shipment of desperately needed arms for the invaded state of Israel.

In short, it looks very much as if Israel is getting the "Spanish treatment." That is, the same kind of "above-the-battle" neutrality by which fascism was able to murder Spanish democracy. Remember how Franco got outside war supplies and Nazi and Italian fascist troops, while Washington's State Department looked on.

The Arabian feudal chiefs are loaded down with bribes and profits from British and Wall Street oil corporations. They have given their answer to the UN proposal for peace in the manner that the State Department answers the Soviet Union. That is, "No peace except on our conditions, which include the destruction of the new state."

The British "Socialists," headed by Bevin, are said to be "furious" at any effort to lend money and send arms to Israel. They say they won't "take orders from Washington," but they have meekly taken orders from Wall Street's Marshall planners to betray their promise to nationalize England's industries.

Britain's "Socialists" are merely defending the profits, loot and colonial empire of the Churchill-Tory mob. In Washington the maneuver is to try to appease outraged public opinion without interfering with the huge Middle East oil investments of Secretary Forrestal's friends.

The whole spectacle is a blistering exposure of the democratic and moral pretensions of the Marshall planners and their British imperialist allies.

For decent people, the issues are clear:

**Lift the embargo at once.**

**Apply economic sanctions against the invading states and halt all so-called "aid" to Britain which is used to murder the independence of nations.**

**Rush arms and official loans to Israel.**

Without such practical action, Washington's shilly-shallying is just hypocrisy, and will be recognized as such by the nation and the world.

## Professional Anti-Communist

**T**HE self-appointed Legion "investigator of communism" whom the newspapers, led by the New York Times, tried to make into a heroic martyr, was arrested for beating his mother, for manslaughter, adultery and drunkenness. Truly a fit person to cash in on the deceptions and hysterics of anti-communism!

Decent citizens in the towns and small communities of our country will, no doubt, call to mind similar personal data regarding the local trumpeters of "anti-communism." It is far from unknown that this noise conceals private deals of a crooked nature, shady business ventures, sadism, petty meanness or downright bigoted ignorance and exhibitionism.

"Expert" anti-Communist witnesses appearing before the Dies-Rankin Committee included Edward F. Sullivan, a labor spy arrested for drunkenness, larceny, sodomy (acquitted); Alvin I. Halpern, sentenced for larceny; Peter J. Innes, sentenced for rape of a small child; William O. Nowell, labor spy and adviser to the fascist G. K. Smith; Arthur Thomas, convicted on charges of moral turpitude; E. P. Banta, convicted for felony, and many others.

This is the political underworld of professional "anti-Communist investigators." This underworld has its "respectable" fronts, of course, in the suave Social Democrats, Trotskyites, ex-Communist renegades and other racketeers in the "hate Russia" business. Anti-communism is based on deceit. No wonder it attracts the unscrupulous careerists it does.

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## As We See It

### The Weird Campaign to Keep Truman In the White House

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON.



**T**HE DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN to keep Harry Truman in the White House (if the convention nominates him in July) promises to be one of the weirdest in American political history. It will emphasize the party rather than the candidate, a highly unusual procedure. And it will take credit not so much for what has been achieved but for what the Truman Administration has allegedly tried to do.

Truman will take to the hustings, of course, for campaign speeches. But this course will be followed not from confidence that the man from Missouri will be able through oratorical brilliance or persuasive argumentation to sway audiences and win votes. The purpose will be to exhibit the personality of the President, to show the folks what a homey, likeable fellow he is.

The votes will be won, if they are won, the party strategists believe, by an appeal to the prestige of the Democratic Party as the "party of liberalism." The inference the voters are to draw is that Truman at worst is harmless, and at best a nice fellow.

**THIS IS** the only conclusion I can draw from a careful reading of the campaign material already being issued by the Democratic National Committee, and from the "friendly" books on Truman now reaching the news-stands.

In none of the speeches recently delivered by chairman Howard McGrath or other Democratic leaders is Harry Truman presented as a hero. They speak of his "courage." They speak of his "faith in the common man." They speak of his "sincerity." But, for the most part, they talk of the Democratic Party, its traditions and its position on various issues.

When these issues are domestic, they are at once involved in an embarrassing predicament. For the domestic goals to which the Truman Administration is committed (on paper) have not been reached. The minimum wage is still 40 cents an hour. Inflation continues to gain ground. There are no houses for veterans. The civil rights legislation (which incidentally is never mentioned at the White House any more) is bottled up in Congress.

**ON THE OTHER HAND**, the Truman record on foreign policy issues involves two difficulties. First, it has a limited appeal because many people question the



TRUMAN

"A harmless fellow"

wisdom or justice of the Greek-Turkish program and ERP. Second, the Truman program was adopted by Congress only because of Republican support, marshalled by Sen. Vandenberg. The program is more bi-partisan than Democratic.

Too much emphasis on the foreign policy of the Truman Administration, therefore, might result in the end in an increased vote for the GOP candidate, especially if Vandenberg should turn up as the Republican nominee.

This predicament was foreshadowed in a new book, *Harry Truman, President*, by Frank McNaughton and Walter Hehmyer, published last week. Ostensibly devoted to building up Truman, the book makes Henry Wallace the villain, Vandenberg the hero and Truman the agreeable but inept third corner of the triangle.

**LIKE THE** Democratic Party formula, Truman is presented as a warm human being bearing no malice for any one except Communists, a man with a stubborn sort of courage, but prone to pulling boners. The authors like Harry Truman as a man. But when it comes to evaluating his administration, they will commit themselves no further than this:

"That he has labored hard and sincerely is undeniable; whether he has succeeded, only the future can tell."

If the friends of a candidate can find nothing more positive to say about him, it is no wonder that the Democratic National Committee anticipates a campaign in which it will rely largely on the party platform.

That is why in recent weeks there has been a stream of messages to Congress from the White House, each one setting forth some relatively faultless plank for the election platform. On May 25, Truman asked Congress to broaden the social security system and increase taxes to finance the new benefits. On April 14, he asked for new action to control inflation. On May 14, he urged Congress to enact a long-range farm program. On Feb. 23, he asked for action on housing.

**EACH OF** these statements has been given wide publicity by the committee, although they represent little more than words on paper. But they will be seen and heard widely when the campaign gets underway.

There is something cheap and cynical about this performance. On last Tuesday when President Truman issued his social security message, the Senate Judiciary Committee was meeting to discuss the anti-lynching bill. They did not act, due largely to the obstructionism of one of Truman's fellow Democrats, Sen. Jim Eastland of Mississippi.

If Truman wanted something more substantial than a paper election platform, he would have used the ink and paper devoted to the social security message for a vigorous demand for action on the anti-lynching bill. There is some chance of enacting an anti-lynch or an anti-polltax bill at this session. There is no chance, and Truman knows it, of getting security legislation adopted before adjournment June 19.

These incidents completely refute the official estimate of the President as a man who is "sincere" but "inept."



# Life of the Party

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

**I MUST REPORT** further on my Philadelphia visit. The final score for the week was 21 recruits at my meetings, and for the city as a whole 35 new members for the Communist Party. Not bad for the week the Mundt-Nixon police bill passed in the House!

Remarks made by several of those who joined were very interesting. Two were ex-members who had drifted away because of moving around, personal problems, etc., but who retained their loyalty to the



Party and feel "now is the hour" to show it. One, a Negro butcher, who had been a member of the Party in the Midwest in the days of unemployed demonstrations, recalled the leadership and fighting spirit of the Party then.

An auto worker asked only one question: "Could you send the mail so my snooty landlady won't know what's in it?" Another, a Negro building trades worker, and his wife joined together. He said: "Whatever I join I am ready to stand up and be counted. I am not afraid!" The butcher, a handsome big man with a deep resonant voice, also a vet, remarked earnestly, "I'm ready to give my life for my people."

It is very noticeable, and that's why I mention so often how many new recruits to the Party are Negro—that the Negro workers are least affected by red-baiting and are most courageous in joining the Party. The recent role of the Daily Worker and the Party in the Ingram case has made a profound impression on them and upholds their faith in the Communists as vanguard defenders of the Negro people. (Next recruiting report will be from Indiana.)

**WELL, I HOPE** you all read Harry Raymond's story in the Daily Worker Wednesday about the red-baiting professional "Legionnaire." Harold Adamson, who was found "mysteriously" dead in bed at Long Branch, N.J., Monday morning. Every capitalist newspaper in New York and New Jersey played up "Red" in the headline.

Adamson was a member of the Legion's Americanism Committee, had just attended a six months' Legion school on "subversive activities" and boasted of doing undercover work for the FBI. Legionnaires rushed there bent on a red-hunt but had little to say as his unsavory record in his home town was revealed.

There are hundreds of them like him around the country especially in the hoodlum "40 and 8" outfit, of which he was also a member. He never worked. He lived on an income inherited from a capitalist father, appropriately enough the head of a Long Island sewer company. He had been arrested at least 15 times between 1924 and 1939 for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. The medical examiner announced that the autopsy revealed he was a chronic drunk and was in a drunken stupor when he died. Apparently a blow received in a brawl caused his death.

He lost his driving license in 1928 when he was held on a manslaughter charge because of the death of an accident victim. Girl friends have testified to drinking bouts with him on both Thursday and Friday nights, so it seems he was on a spree of some duration.

When he failed to appear to speak at an "Americanism" rally of the Legion at Asbury Park, a search was made for his death. He

was last seen at 12:30 a.m. Sunday morning by a police officer, whose greeting he failed to answer.

**IMAGINE** if it were a Communist leader who had such a record! Yet this individual was a leader of the Legion's "Americanism" program! He is not exceptional either. Such types tramp into our meetings around the country, in real storm trooper style, insult speakers, and audience.

Once in a public library hall in Des Moines, Iowa, a group of the "40 and 8," after a dinner where they lured up, invaded our meeting. Their leader, a red-

faced local lawyer, shouted himself hoarse to prevent us speaking, while the police stood around and smiled.

I have seen similar exhibitions in Baltimore, Davenport, New Bedford, and in the Anthracite area. Middle-aged rowdies and hoodlums, trying to re-capture their lost youth—disgrace their communities and their country.

We will be interested to hear the final truthful explanation of Legionnaire Adamson's death—if they do not hush it up, since they are unable to blame it on the Communists. How they would have loved to make that frame-up stick.

## Singapore Gov't Represses Unions

SINGAPORE, May 27 (Telepress)

—Repression by the British colonial government against the trade unions and workers' organizations here has reached a new peak since May Day, when the Government banned all meetings and processions and armed police patrolled the streets.

Dockers in the great port have been on strike since April and arrests and police violence against pickets continue undiminished. Trade union leaders have been arrested and charged with organizing "unlawful societies."

The dockers' leader, Veerasenan, who is also chairman of the Singapore Federation of Trade Unions, has had to go underground since

the police raid on the Federation's headquarters.

The annual conference of the Putera-Amcja (People's United Front) has adopted three main objectives:

To strengthen efforts in defense of civil liberties; to co-ordinate efforts against warmongering, and the use of the "red bogey," and wholehearted support for the workers in their fight for better conditions.

## OK Repeal of Oleo Tax

WASHINGTON, May 27 (UP)—

The Senate Finance Committee unanimously approved today a bill to repeal all federal taxes on oleomargarine.

## FEW PEOPLE HAVE

PROVINCETOWN, Mass. (UP)—

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## Soviets Ask UN Act on Arabs

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tended to forestall independent action by the U. S. by pledging to British study of the suspension of arms to the Arabs if the Jews remain embargoed, while at the same time threatening to continue aid to the Arabs if the U.S. lifts the embargo. The joker is that British aid will continue to flow to the Arabs until the UN acts, and Cado-gan tonight defended the flow of these arms as essential to maintain the "security needs" of Britain's Arab allies.

It was also felt here that ambassador Warren Austin's failure for an American enforcement resolution, after the watered-down version of last week's proposal had been rejected by the Arabs, meant the State Department was giving the British a chance to carry out their delaying tactics.

Austin confined himself today to eloquent statements that the "greatest injustice in history" was being perpetrated by the desecration of shrines, synagogues and altars in Jerusalem.

He called for "stopping the slaughter" but he opened the way for Cadogan's proposal by saying that "perhaps if the initiative is now taken by some other members it will be more effective."

At this point Gromyko stepped in and said, "public opinion would find it exceedingly difficult to understand" the failure of the Council to act. He then submitted the Soviet resolution.

### CHARGE U. S. AIDS BRITISH

Earlier, Vassily Tarasenko, the Ukrainian spokesman, charged the U. S. was indirectly assisting British help to the Arab states by its economic, military and political aid to Britain. He said a "game" was being played behind the scenes in the form of American and British negotiations from which the "Jews and Arabs would suffer." But Austin did not take up this challenge.

The other major feature of today's debate was a charge by Syrian delegate Paris El Khouri that two Zionists had been captured by Egyptian forces and had allegedly confessed to poisoning Egyptian water supplies with vials of typhoid and dysentery microbes.

Major Aubrey Eban, Israel's UN spokesman, immediately denounced this as a "slandorous libel," a harking back to "depraved medieval anti-Semitism."

## General Electric Meets With UE on Wages

Representatives of the General Electric Company and the CIO United Electrical Workers met in contract talks yesterday at the company's offices, 580 Lexington Ave. Negotiations are scheduled to continue this morning (Friday).

## Capital March Wednesday

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lition, which will be in the capital Wednesday. The united throngs will press both for defeat of the Mundt bill and for its replacement by a full civil rights program.

Negro, labor, veterans, religious and all other groups whose liberties are menaced by the police state measure, Goldsmith urged, should take part in the national march. He called on veterans to participate in uniform, with full battle decorations.

From New York, Goldsmith said, special trains will leave Wednesday 7 a.m. from Pennsylvania Station. Round trip fare is \$8. Tickets, he said, are available at the offices of the Committee for Democratic Rights, 23 W. 26 St.

Special trains and automobile caravans will head for Washington from other cities, Goldsmith reported.

"The fight is now, or it will be too late," Goldsmith concluded. "We call on all liberty-loving Americans to join with us in this fight for democracy. If this bill becomes law, the leaders of every decent organization in America will be jailed."

"The Un-Americans have harassed and intimidated the people too long. They must be stopped. They must be stopped now."

## Josephson In Leg-Irons

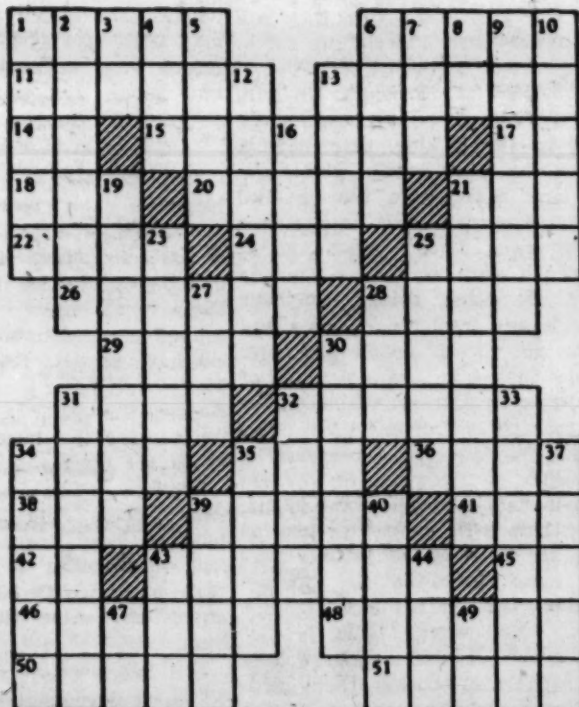
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turned, and that hereafter I will be able to write to and receive letters only from and to my immediate family and attorney. Since such a restriction is not placed on others, again, I am, despite statements to the contrary, being treated as a special case."

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

### HORIZONTAL

- 1-Northeastern-most state
- 6-Bards
- 11-Complete
- 13-Excavates a hole
- 14-Symbol for silver
- 15-Grand show
- 17-Note of scale
- 18-To ensnare
- 20-Grieved
- 21-Used to be
- 22-To jog
- 24-To irritate
- 25-Footway
- 26-Emphasis
- 28-City in Nevada
- 29-To incline
- 30-Pointer of a clock
- 31-Flour
- 32-One adept with the foil
- 34-Ringlet
- 35-Mongrel
- 36-God of love
- 38-Worm
- 39-Shapes
- 41-The sun
- 42-While
- 43-Act of eating away
- 45-Note of scale
- 46-Fishing nets
- 48-Slang: rode in a vehicle
- 50-To omit
- 51-To barter



### VERTICAL

- 1-Intended
- 2-Enrages
- 3-Pronoun
- 4-Pinch
- 5-Period of time (pl.)
- 6-Weak
- 7-Morrel
- 8-Comparative suffix
- 9-Round red fruit
- 10-Light rustling sound
- 12-Believer in the doctrine of self-interest
- 13-Dog's cry
- 16-Is wrong
- 19-Walters

### 21-Rooms

- 23-Test
- 25-Cents
- 27-Cloth measure
- 28-Sprinted
- 30-Recluse
- 31-Small bi-valve shell-fish
- 32-Dressed animal skins
- 33-Firmly fixed
- 34-To stop
- 35-Cries like a dove
- 37-To slip
- 38-Not bound
- 40-Black, powdery substance
- 43-Conclusion
- 44-And not

### 47-Two

### Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle

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# Senate Body Redbaiters At Mundt Bill Hearing

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of judging some unions as "political" organizations, and union members would be severely penalized if strikes were conducted by those unions. He cited the Un-American committee's determination that two strikes in New York and Michigan in 1938 were "political."

For the greater part of the session, Wiley was the only committee member present. There were never more than five members in their seats.

Rep. Nixon, co-author of the Mundt-Nixon bill, berated the rising tide of protest against the measure. He said a great deal of the opposition is "misinformed."

Nixon's attack on opponents of the bill was echoed by Col. Paul Griffith, former American Legion commander and now a Washington business consultant.

Donald Richberg, one of the known authors of the Taft-Hartley Law, defended the Mundt bill as "really an ingenious way of meeting a very difficult problem."

Sen. Wiley asked each witness for an opinion on the constitutionality of the bill. All but Isacson contended the bill was constitutional.

### COMPLAIN OF PROTESTS

Griffith complained the Communists were organizing "to the hilt"

to defeat the measure.

Wiley then mentioned the "thousands of telegrams" that have been pouring into the committee's offices.

Richberg was the committee's chief witness. He maintained the bill would stand up in the courts. He admired the way the bill avoids outlawing "a political organization," while establishing "criminal aspects of the Communist Party."

Sen. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich) stopped Richberg. "There's some claim that the bill establishes a crime and then requires a person to register under it," he said.

Richberg smirked: "In a sense, a Communist political organization would be an unlawful organization. But the Communist Party openly disavows any intent to overthrow the government... it's an escape valve they've used. The bill doesn't outlaw a party of American citizens."

"To do anything?" Ferguson asked. Richberg agreed.

Sen. Forrest Donnell (R-Mo) interjected: "The party is not declared illegal?"

Richberg again agreed. "Just acts—acts are made illegal, is that right," Donnell asked.

Richberg replied: "That's right, just acts."

### QUOTES EDITORIAL

Wiley hauled out a clipping from the editorial page of today's Wash-

ington Post. The editorial denounced the committee's hearings as a "travesty on the legislative process."

Wiley read: "This legislation, proposing as it does the most sweeping political repression since the Alien and Sedition laws were enacted a century ago, deserves more than three days of perfunctory consideration."

He asked Richberg, "Is there any political repression in this bill?"

Richberg said dutifully: "I don't think it is political repression to uncover and expose any international political organization. It's obviously not a pure political movement—it's a very radical movement."

Wiley quoted the editorial again. "Is the Mundt bill at variance with the institutions which have been the source of American freedom and vitality?" he asked.

"It's nonsense," Richberg said quickly.

"Do you want to put damned in front of that?" Wiley quipped.

Sen. James O. Eastland (D-Miss) asked: "How far can we go?"

Richberg told him that "action for the defense of the United States is not subject to review by the Supreme Court."

Wiley, confronting Nixon with the Post editorial when the latter sat down before him, asked Nixon how much time the committee had spent on hearings on the bill. Nixon replied that he had spent 18 months going through all Constitutional angles, and that the committee had devoted seven days to actual hearings on two other bills which had been discarded.

Nixon said the Post editorial indicated the success of the "Communist big lie." Wiley nodded happily. Rep. J. Hardin Peterson (D-Fla) applauded Nixon's work on the bill and approved the bill as "well done."

Wiley opened the hearing with the announcement that Wallace had been "allowed" time to testify. He warned that he wouldn't stand for any "political speeches," adding, "I'm going to see it's not turned into a three-ring circus."

Of the five Senators who turned up for the hearing, four were Republicans. Eastland was the lone Democrat. From their questioning of Richberg, it was apparent all of them favored the bill.

Nixon, not taking any chances, said, "The committee has the responsibility to recommend an alternative measure to meet this problem."

Father Cronin told the committee, "We cannot urge other countries to suppress communism while we do nothing here."

VFW legislative official John C. Williamson advised the committee that the bill should be adopted "to meet the challenge of communism." He said, "All great states have fallen because they failed to meet the challenge of ideas."

## CLARK RULES ON CP

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nificance. One shrewd observer said, "It was almost the same as testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee."

Clark today declined, however, to express an opinion on the constitutionality of that measure. He said the version which was before the Un-American Committee when he testified last February was a violation of some provisions of the Constitution. But he understood the bill had been revised since then and therefore could not comment. He revealed, however, that he was preparing an opinion for Sen. Alexander Wiley (R-Wis) chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which should be ready by Saturday.

He disclosed that within the next two days he would send to Richardson a list of 25 to 30 additional organizations which the Justice Department considers subversive. This will bring to about 120 the number of organizations which a Federal employee cannot join without facing discharge.

### HINT UNIONS ON LIST

The Attorney General declined to affirm or deny the report that the new list would include unions. According to the New York Herald Tribune, "high placed right-wing union leaders" have been asked by the department for information against their fellow unionists in the compilation of this new blacklist.

Clark said department attorneys were watching developments on the Oak Ridge, Tenn., labor situation, and might move in if workers in

the atomic bomb plant were to strike. He admitted that under the Taft-Hartley Act there was nothing to prohibit a strike after June 7, but said the Justice Department could take action on other grounds.

"We contend that under the Constitution, if a strike affects the national economy, we could act," Clark said.

He revealed that the Department plans to seek temporary injunctions against the railroad workers tomorrow morning if no settlement in the pending dispute is reached.

He expressed a strong sense of disappointment that the District Court had issued an order requiring the Immigration Service to hold hearings in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act. He said the Department was appealing.

Clark also complained the Soviet Union refuses to issue visas for former Russians which this government wants to deport. He said Rep. Sam Hobbs (D-Ala) had another bill which would authorize the Attorney General to put such aliens in jail. The longest he has been able to hold non-deportable aliens is about 60 days, he said.

"But now they've got wise," Clark said. "They get a habeas corpus and we have to release them after four or five days."

"Is this the problem," a reporter asked, "that you cannot jail them because they haven't broken any laws?"

"Yes," replied Clark.

## FOSTER TESTIFIES TO SENATE TODAY

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St., and from 9 to 10 at S.E. Lenox and 126th St.

### MOTHERS PARADE

Wheeling baby carriages, 30 mothers paraded single file through the Burnside area of the Bronx yesterday afternoon demanding defeat of the Mundt bill. The women then held an open air meeting at Walton and Burnside Aves., collecting 300 signatures on petitions, and sent 25 wires to the Senate committee.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 27.—Sidney Lipshires, secretary of the Communist Party of Western Massachusetts, was heard here tonight

over WSPR from 6:45 to 7 p.m., against the Mundt bill.

The American Labor Party wired Sen. Wiley, chairman Senate Judiciary Committee, it has "documentary proof that the purpose and provisions of the Mundt-Nixon bill are derived directly from a series of decrees issued in 1933 by the Nazi government at the express direction of Adolf Hitler and Paul Goebbels," and urged that "full investigation be made of this charge before any further action on the bill is taken."

The ALP requested it be allowed to testify at the hearings to "make available to Congress and to the

American people the documentary proof that the Mundt-Nixon bill is, in effect, an extension of these Nazi decrees."

### Condolences

We extend our deepest sympathy to Comrade M. Block on the loss of her husband.—Gung Ho Club, Brighton Beach.

Deepest Regrets to

Nathan

on the loss of his dear

Father

Project Club, Williamsburg



## The Legitimate Theatre



"... how this could be a legitimate offspring, I don't know."

## Book Parade

### 'Balance of Power: The Negro Vote'

By Henry Lee Moon

By Abner W. Berry

AS A NEWSPAPERMAN who spent the war years in Washington and later was associated with the CIO Political Action Committee, Henry Lee Moon has written, in *Balance of Power* a helpful survey of Negro suffrage in America. He defends the Negro voter against the charge of venality and corrup-

protest." Uncritically, and with an air of complete acceptance, Henry Moon lauds.

Moon lauds President Truman for his civil rights pronouncement and sees no sign of Presidential retreat on the issues. Dewey, he feels, among the GOP hopefuls, is most likely to attract Negroes. But the author doesn't think votes would be thrown away on Dewey, despite his earlier analysis of the two parties with especial emphasis upon the anti-Negro vagaries of Hoover, Dewey's closest political associate.

It should be added here that Truman and the Democratic national chairman, J. Howard McGrath, have left Moon on a limb by announcing in favor of "states rights" on May 3, last. "Such a program (The President's Civil Rights Committee report) he writes, "cannot be implemented under the discredited and tattered banner of 'States' Rights' which certain Republican elements have lately espoused."

**THIS REVIEWER EXPECTS** this book to be used and quoted extensively by Democratic campaigners. It's definitely slanted in their direction. However, there is much valuable information for those interested in the Negro as a political force. It is the only volume brought to our attention which gives a detailed national picture of the Negro vote. It is too bad the author felt impelled to defend the two-party system AND the Negro. And it is worse that he chose this otherwise useful contribution as the bearer of his offering of fuel for the "cold war."

## Book Notes

**The Memoirs of Cordell Hull**, by the Secretary of State for Franklin D. Roosevelt, are published this month by Macmillan. U. S. relations with the Soviet Union from 1933 on, the Moscow conference of 1943 and descriptions of such personalities as Churchill, Eden, De Gaulle, Knox, Wallace, Ickes, Stalin, Molotov and others are in it.

Bantam Book releases for May include *The Chinese Room* by Vivian Connell; *The Lying Ladies* by Robert Finnegan and *Yesterday's Madness* by Marian Cockrell.

## Hollywood:

### Movies And Television Set Owners

By David Platt

A MARKED decrease in movie attendance on the part of owners of television sets is indicated in the chart compiled by a big advertising agency in town.

Querying 211 set-owners on their "before" and "after" film-going habits, the agency found:

Before purchasing television sets: 57 percent attended films every few days. After television: Only 5 percent.

Before television: 68 percent attended films once a week. After television: 33 percent.

Before television: 62 percent attended every 2-3 weeks. After: 10 percent.

Before: 24 percent attended once a month. After: 6 percent.



**Fit to Make Your Hair Stand on End:** Task Force, about naval fighting in the Pacific, has gone into production at Warner Brothers. Originally slated for filming three years ago, it was shelved because it was thought (sic) "the customers were tired of war" . . . A Greek (Royalist) film, *The Germans Come Back*, has been completed in Athens. When did they leave? . . . Of the 399 films shown in Turkey during the past twelve months 75 percent were American-made. . . Bryan Foy has completed arrangements with the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission and the Army to shoot a documentary on the methods used by army counter-intelligence in guarding and transporting the atom bomb . . . The only pro-peace film hereabouts, the feature-length documentary, *The Roosevelt Story*, is having a tough time getting bookings. To date it has played in only 800 of the nation's 16,000 movie houses. Exhibitor opposition, it is reported, is based on fear of "creating ill-will in their communities by seemingly taking sides in an election year."

**Pulling the 'Curtain' down:** The California (L. A.) Eagle, a Negro weekly, rapped the Iron Curtain editorially last week. The Eagle called for an organized drive against this "vicious piece of propaganda" in the neighborhood theatres. "Tell them they must not show the film" . . . A resolution opposing the pro-war film was adopted by the Social Action Committee of the Madison (Wisc.) Council of Churches the night before the film opened at the Orpheum.

**Social Document:** A new, independent producing group known as Target Films is completing *Strange Victory*, a 72-minute, 35mm documentary on the problem of discrimination against minority groups. Leo Hurwitz, who produced *Native Land* in association with Paul Strand, wrote, directed and edited *Strange Victory* . . . Fred Zinnemann, who directed *The Search* for MGM in Europe, brought back a collection of horror pictures taken in Nazi concentration camps. He acquired them on the black market . . . for American cigarettes.

## Today's Film:

### 'Time of Your Life' Saroyan's Pie in Sky

By Herb Tank

IT HAS BEEN said that real beer flowed on stage and was consumed by the actors in the Broadway production of Saroyan's *The Time Of Your Life*. None of the releases concerning the Cagney brothers' movie version which arrived yesterday at the Mayfair have indicated whether real beer was also gulped during its filming. It's not

**THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE.** United Artists' release. Produced by William Cagney. Directed by H. C. Potter. Adapted for the screen by Nathaniel Curtis. Camera by James Wong Howe. With James Cagney, William Bendix, Wayne Morris, Jeanne Cagney, Broderick Crawford, Ward Bond, James Barton, Gale Page and James Lydon. At the Mayfair.

really important. Actors drinking real beer on stage is hardly a substitute for a playwright wrestling with reality. At any rate, it's not the actors who should take beer with their Saroyan; it's the audience. Even at that he'll never replace pretzels.

Producer William Cagney, director H. C. Potter, and the movie's star James Cagney, have brought the Saroyan play to the screen with loving care. They quite obviously feel they have something in *Time of Your Life*. I don't think they have. I don't think they have much of a movie for one thing, but then I didn't think Mr. Saroyan had much of a play when it was first produced although it did take both the Pulitzer prize and the Drama Critics' award that year. Time and the current movie version have strengthened that belief.

**LIKE OTHER FORMS** of vaudeville Saroyan's play comes off better when you don't get too close to it. Since the play is maintained pretty much intact in this adaptation the main contribution made by film technique is taking the audience right on stage with the actors through the mechanics of camera and microphone. Getting this close to Saroyan's people underscores the fact that they are not real people at all. His gas-hounds, B-girls (prostitutes are not mentioned on celluloid) and the other characters who hang around the Frisco gin-mill that provides a setting are phonied up and sentimentalized caricatures so fashioned that they may become objects of Saroyan's love. This, then says Saroyan, is the human race and I love it. Just love that human race! The pimps and the prostitutes (for they are the meek) shall inherit the earth.

**OUTSIDE** of Saroyan's gin-mill, and the film and play occasionally refer to the outside, there is a mighty waterfront strike (1934) going on. But inside the gin-mill striker and cop melt into each others arms. Love is what does it. Love, Oh careless love! Outside there are other things, too, like struggle and intolerance, crime and battle, but outside people bite. And people that bite are not part of Saroyan's human race and therefore not objects of his great love. This Saroyan film is almost a burlesque of middle class writers (film-makers, too) who want to just love "those little people" as long as they are destined to wander forever into blind alleys, forever knocking their heads against stone walls. But when "little people" turn around to bite, these writers are capable of hating them with the same violence as that of the bourgeois Americans they charm with their guileless little pieces.

**AS I NOTED EARLIER** this film version of *Time of Your Life* is produced with loving care. It is well cast. James Cagney is comfortable and easy as Joe, the part portrayed by Eddie Dowling in the Broadway production.

A number of talented people, some of them seldom seen in films like Paul Draper and James Barton, turn in very nice performances. There is also a Negro character in



JAMES CAGNEY

the film who is presented as more human than is customary in Hollywood pictures and that is good. But Saroyan is an intellectual Good Humor Man selling pie in the sky. It's not my dish. As one of his own characters keeps repeating in *Time of Your Life*: "No foundation all the way down the line."

### 'Melody Time' Disney Cartoon

**MELODY TIME.** A Walt Disney animated and live action color film. With Roy Rogers, Dennis Day, The Andrews Sisters, Fred Waring, Freddy Martin, Frances Langford, Ethel Smith and Buddy Clark. Released by RKO. At the Astor.

**IN Melody Time** Walt Disney presents another one of his feature length animated variety shows. If you were to close your eyes and just listen to the film you might think you were sitting at home hearing a rather pedestrian radio program. The soundtrack is supplied by Dennis Day, the Andrews Sisters, Frances Langford and a couple of name bands. The voice of a master of ceremonies (Buddy Clark) keeps things moving. Open your eyes and the animated color images that match the soundtrack may strike you as most of Disney's recent stuff strikes me: prettified and gooeey, and sometimes offensively phony and sentimental.

**Melody Time** tends to drag along, hemming and hawing at great length before it gets down to cases in each sequence. Seven or eight episodes make up the film. Of these, two quite cleverly built around musical numbers have considerable appeal. One is a Freddie Martin number called *Bumble Boogie*, the other a colorful little item under the heading of *Blame It on the Samba*.

Passably interesting is a folk tale called *Pecos Pete* based on the fabulous Texas legend. It takes a long time before they get into the yarn but once Pecos Pete himself enters the scene things begin to hum.

But you have to sit through an awful lot of stuff like Disney's version of Joyce Kilmer's *Trees* in order to come across one or two good items in *Melody Time*.

## Music

**THE Julliard Training Orchestra** under the direction of Edgar Schenkman will be heard on the last program of the Julliard Concert Series, tonight, Friday, at 8:30 o'clock. The concert will be held in the Concert Hall, 130 Claremont Ave., N. Y. C.



# Around the Dial

## European Reaction to Stalin-Wallace Exchange of Open Letters

By Bob Lauter

HAVING SAID A KIND WORD or two about Arthur Godfrey, I immediately received a postcard informing me that my correspondent had heard Godfrey give forth with "as conscious and vicious a bit of warmongering" as he has ever heard on the radio. The writer goes on to say that in his knowledge this has happened three times.

Naturally, this has not come to my attention before this. When such incidents take place, I hope listeners let the stations and the entertainers involved know just how they feel about it.

LAST MONDAY NIGHT News of the World (WNBC, 7:15 p.m.), began a series of special reports called *Who's Winning the Battle for Europe?* The first reporter, speaking from Europe via a transcription, was Henry Cassidy. The theme of the special report is the "Russian peace offensive."

Cassidy's first report was completely undistinguished, and a sharp contrast to some of the reporting which has come from CBS men such as Howard K. Smith from Italy, and the recently murdered George Polk. Claiming that western Europe now feels safe and that the fear of war has subsided, Cassidy attributes this—without explanation—to the recent Christian Democratic victory in Italy. Referring to the recent U.S.-Soviet exchange of notes in connection with the Smith incident, Cassidy said, "If Russia's purpose was to lull people into a sense of false security, they have succeeded." Cassidy blandly placed all of Europe's uneasiness at the door of what he called "Russian aggression."

Clearly Cassidy was not reporting on Europe, but on Cassidy. There's a safe job open for him in Greece.

The commercial on this program is particularly offensive. The announcer tries to sell vitamin pills with a dialog between himself and a Negro "mammy" who is addressed as Aunt.

WOR'S RADIO NEWSREEL (9:15 p.m.), which is now interrupted for a plug for the N. Y. Daily Mirror, brought us the voice of a Washington Republican who wants the Taft-Hartley Act revised. Not satisfied with the "non-Communist" affidavit as it now stands, he thinks it should be extended to all union Business Agents. And just so you shouldn't think him biased, he also wants employers to sign such affidavits. Both Henry Ford, Jr., and the local's Business Agent, will have to sign! I waited for our Republican to refer to this as an example of "democracy at work," but he didn't come through.

FROM DAVID SCHOENBRUN of CBS in Paris: "It is believed that the western union of five European nations is planning a peace-time extension of the Supreme Command—a kind of joint general staff like the SHAEF team which carried the western armies under Eisenhower to victory. The man favored to be the 'Eisenhower' of the western union is Great Britain's 'Monty'—Field Marshal Sir Bernard Montgomery."

## At the Art Galleries:

# New Exhibits at the Little Art Galleries

THE LITTLE GALLERIES away from 57th Street should not be overlooked. Theirs is the lure of the chance discovery of new genius. They also appeal to plain bargain hunters. To be the first to praise the Repoir of 1960, or to collect the Van Gogh of Mosholu Park long before his works

are loaned to the Metropolitan Museum is everyone's ambition. That is exactly why the small gallery generally defeats one's hopes. The big galleries today search as persistently for novelty as they once avoided it, and the little gallery no longer provides the only place where artists not recognized by the Academy nor certificated in the Salon can be seen. The little shop in the last century had a historic function and it was no accident that the paint shop of a Pere Tanguy or the basement of Ambrose Vollard spawned a Monet, a Cezanne, or a Gauguin. Today the situation has quite reversed: Knoedler's has a distinguished committee of critics preparing hour to hour bulletins on the latest artistic quiver, and the descendants of the Academy are forced to beg in the open air of Washington Square.

Still there is always the feeling that the small galleries may show works debarrd from 57th Street because of their political virulence and folk strength. After all Herman Baron built the historic ACA in such a manner. But good painters seem even rarer than willing galleries.

A SURVEY of the Open Air Shows around Washington Square, the Roko Gallery, the ALA, the Tribune, the 44th Street and others yields no nuggets although specks of talent shine out here and there.

Any element of suspense or curiosity that might be associated with the outdoor fair in the Village gives way before the usual monotonous and flane display of academic still lifes, picturesque landscape, and



portraits of gypsies with viridian shawls and magenta flowers in their teeth. They are all too apparently done for quick sale to tourists, and arranged with all the honky tonk cheapness of Chamber of Commerce 'Latin Quarters.' In the thirties when the struggle for a municipal gallery was going on artists, objected to the Village shows on the ground that they were in keeping with the place of art in capitalist society whose muse is an old street walker begging for pennies.

THE SCULPTOR'S GUILD show at 18 Washington Square North, is quite another thing. It is a good survey of contemporary American sculpture seen in the sunlight needed to bring out its forms and in a space in scale with its monumental size. Admission is a quarter, and an excellent catalogue is sold at fifty cents. Its flavor is generally modern, its standards exceptionally high. Animals come off particularly well in Dorothy Greenbaum's *Snob* a study of a tophioty camel, and *Startled Nag* by Hugo Robus. Milton Hebal's mother and child *More Rich in Hope*, and Berta Margulies' *Adolescent* are in varying ways both deeply sympathetic. Among those more political in theme which succeed are Aaron Goodelman's *Maldenek*, Minna Harkavy's *Two Men* and Hy Freilicher's *Disinherited*.

THE ROKO GALLERY, 51 Greenwich Ave., has a group of oils, watercolors and sculpture by Paul England. Done while he was in Haiti, they deal with the emotional tensions that make up the daily life of a colonial nation. Blood and the knife are never far from the people in *Man to Man* or *Dog Eat Dog*, and even the children in *Banana Hat* or *Bird in Hand* are done in strong colors of low intensity that hint at hidden tragedy. His expressionist manner sometimes results in a rumble of confusion, and occasionally his people are lost in decorative pattern, but one none-

theless looks forward to his exploration of New York.

THE ARTISTS' LEAGUE of America, 77 Fifth Ave., at 16th St. has a selection of work of three of its members. Jack Martone adds to the immense population of clowns in paintings with a series done in deep color. As usual his clowns are sad, and his sad people are turned into clowns. Roualt, Pica-so, Walt Kuhn, Beckmann and a host of other moderns have chosen the unhappy clown as the symbol central to our times. Martone has some difficulty in keeping the symbol fresh. Florence Kent works in a gayer tonality giving studio and home interiors in the manner of the cubist realists. Victor Search uses larger strokes and patterns to treat a variety of emotional themes. *Without Love* is typical in its amorphous, anthropoid forms, and muddled color.

THE 44TH STREET Gallery at 133 W. 44 St., is continuing its show of paintings by Betty Lane. In a manner only occasionally reminiscent of Georgia O'Keefe, Lane gives clean patterns of New England and Great Lakes scenery. Fresh color, in large simple shapes makes her landscapes and children pleasant decoration.

"FOURTEEN UNKNOWN Soldier Artists" is the title of the exhibition at the Tribune Subway Gallery at Sixth Avenue and 42 St. All fourteen belong to the artist's chapter of the AVC. The Tribune, whose policy is to open its walls to any qualified artists, or at least any artist of whom Mr. Alexan approves, has had a long series of shows by the very young just beginning. The Tribune takes its self-imposed responsibilities with considerable seriousness and as a result has given us a chance to see the works of at least some artists who may be better known later. Interesting in the present show are Leonard Breager's *Fortune Hunter* looking at the job lists along Sixth Avenue, and the tin can objects of Ben Yano, a sort of Jewish Pablo Gargallo.—C. C.

## Theatre

With the opening of *Up in Central Park* at the Criterion Theatre, Helen Tamiris, the noted choreographer who created the dances for the movie version as well as for its stage original, will be represented by three current offerings on Broadway. The other two musicals for which she created and staged the dances are *Inside USA* and *Annie Get Your Gun*.

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WNN—1050 Kc.  
WBNY—1450 Kc.  
WQV—1250 Kc.  
WQXR—1550 Kc.

### MORNING

11:00—WNBC—Nora Drake  
WOR—Prescott Robinson  
WCBS—Arthur Godfrey  
WNYC—Organ Odes; Consumers Guide  
WQXR—News; Alma Dettinger  
WJZ—Breakfast in Hollywood  
11:15—WNBC—Katie's Daughter  
WOR—Tello-Test  
11:30—WNBC—Jack Berch  
WOR—Heart's Desire  
WJZ—Galen Drake  
WCBS—Grand Slam  
WNYC—BBC Radio Newsreel  
WQXR—UN Newsreel  
11:45—WNBC—Lora Lawton  
WJZ—Ted Malone  
WCBS—Rosemary  
WQXR—Violin Personalities  
WNYC—Music Time

### AFTERNOON

12:00—WNBC—Radio Hall  
WOR—Kate Smith  
WJZ—Welcome Travelers  
WCBS—Wendy Warren  
WQXR—News; Luncheon Concert  
WNYC—Midday Symphony  
12:15—WNBC—Metropolitan News  
WCBS—Aunt Jenny  
12:30—WNBC—Brookshire  
WOR—News; Answer Man  
WJZ—News; Nancy Craig  
WCBS—Helen Trent  
12:45—WCBS—Our Gai Sunday  
12:55—WNBC—Farmer's Bulletins  
1:00—WNBC—Mary Margaret McBride  
WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's  
WJZ—Baukhage  
WCBS—Big Sister  
WNYC—Music  
WQXR—News; Midday Symphony  
1:15—WJZ—Nancy Craig  
WCBS—Ma Perkins  
1:30—WOR—The Stumpus Boys  
WJZ—Patt Barnes  
WCBS—Young Dr. Malone  
1:45—WNBC—Interfaith Round Table  
WOR—Victor H. Lindlahr  
WCBS—Guiding Light  
3:00—WNBC—Today's Children  
WJZ—Maggi McNellis  
WCBS—Second Mrs. Burton  
WNYC—Weather; City News  
WQXR—News; Encores  
2:10—WNBC—Book Parade  
2:15—WNBC—Woman in White  
WCBS—Perry Mason  
2:30—WNBC—Holly Sloan  
WOR—Here's Hogan  
WCBS—Nora Drake  
WJZ—Bride and Groom  
WQXR—Curtain at 2:30  
2:40—WNBC—Betty Crocker  
2:45—WNBC—Light of World  
WCBS—Evelyn Winters  
WOR—Favorite Melodies  
WQXR—Musical Memory Game  
3:00—WNBC—Life Can Be Beautiful  
WOR—Movie Matinee  
WJZ—Ladies Be Seated  
WCBS—Double or Nothing  
WQXR—News; Recent Releases  
WNYC—Symphonic Matinee  
3:15—WNBC—Ma Perkins  
3:30—WNBC—Pepper Young  
WOR—Daily Dilemmas  
WJZ—Paul Whiteham  
WCBS—Art Linkletter  
WNYC—United Nations

### RADIO HIGHLIGHT

Friday, May 28

8:30 p.m.—Danny Thomas show.  
WCBS.  
9:00 p.m.—Frank Morgan show.  
WCBS.  
9:30 p.m.—Information please.  
WOR.  
9:30 p.m.—Ozzie and Harriet.  
WCBS.  
10:00 p.m.—Meet the Press.  
WOR.

WQXR—Stringtime  
3:45—WNBC—Right to Happiness  
4:00—WNBC—Backstage Wife  
WOR—Barbara Welles  
WCBS—Hint Hunt  
WQXR—News; Symphonic Matinee  
4:15—WNBC—Stella Dallas  
4:25—WCBS—News Reports  
4:30—WNBC—Lorenzo Jones  
WOR—Ladies Man  
WJZ—Treasury Bond Show  
WCBS—Galen Drake  
4:45—WNBC—Young Widder Brown  
5:00—WNBC—When a Girl Marries  
WOR—Adventure Parade  
WJZ—Dick Tracy  
WCBS—Robert Q. Lewis  
WNYC—Disk Date  
WQXR—News; Today in Music  
5:15—WNBC—Fortia Faces Life  
WOR—Superman  
WJZ—Terry and Pirates  
WQXR—Stan Freeman, Piano  
5:30—WNBC—Just Plain Bill  
WOR—Captain Midnight  
WJZ—Jack Armstrong  
WCBS—Winner Talk All  
WQXR—Temple Emanu-El  
5:45—WNBC—Front Page Farrell  
WOR—Tom Mix

### EVENING

6:00—WNBC—Ken Banghart  
WOR—Lyle Van  
WJZ—Joe Hazel  
WCBS—Eric Sevareid  
WQXR—News; Music to Remember  
WNYC—Tommy Roberts  
6:15—WNBC—Bill Stern  
WOR—On the Century  
WJZ—Quiz  
WCBS—U. N. Report  
6:20—WNBC—Mary Osborne Trio  
6:30—WNBC—Animal World Court  
WOR—Fred Vandeventer  
WJZ—Edwin C. Hill  
WCBS—Lum 'n' Abner  
WNYC—Sports  
WQXR—Dinner Concert  
6:45—WNBC—Three Star Extra  
WOR—Stan Lomax  
WJZ—Ethel & Albert  
WCBS—Lowell Thomas  
WNYC—Weather; UN News  
7:00—WNBC—Supper Club  
WOR—Fulton Lewis, Jr.  
WJZ—Headline Edition  
WCBS—Beulah  
WNYC—Masterworks Hour







## In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo

### At Joe Louis' Training Camp

POMPTON LAKES, N. J., May 27.—There he was, seated in the same little alcove of the cottage which has served as his camp dressing quarters through the years. And there was Mannie Seamon, going through the ritual of bandaging the champion's precious hands, wrapping the thin gauze around the wrists, over the knuckles and through the fingers. The same meticulous process with the tape, and through it all Joe Louis paid as much attention to it as if he were having his hands bandaged for the first time.

"Put another piece of tape here," he would say to his trainer, flexing his fingers through the gauze. "Yeah, that's better." Somebody said to Seamon, "you wrap his hands like it was the night of the fight." Seamon nodded as he continued his slow job. "Joe's hands get wrapped just as carefully in training, every afternoon, as it does in the dressing room before a fight." Of course the need for such care is obvious. Bruise your knuckles or bust your hands in training for a fight—and there'll be no fight.

You stood alongside Joe in that tiny little room here at Pompton and it gave you good reason to ridicule the exaggerated stories of his weight. Joe looks as good to me now as he did for the second Conn fight. There's only a slight suggestion of a jaw, but by and large his jaw line is as sharp as any one has a right to expect of a 34-year-old athlete. His middle looks solid, the skin around his thighs is packed tight and doesn't jiggle when he moves around. His arms are the same, smoothly muscled things of power they always were, like a swimmer's muscles, quietly suggestive of strength without any of the knot-like bulges one sees on most heavyweights. At 218 pounds, Louis looks fine. I think knocking off another three pounds is the wisest weight he can have for Jersey Joe. He'll be fast enough and, most important, he'll have all his strength.

JOE WAS ASKED about Walcott's punch, would he call the cagey Camden challenger a hard puncher? "I don't think he's a hard puncher. Those two he hit me didn't hurt or have me in any trouble." But he was floored by them, was the inescapable thought to everyone in the room, and as if to answer that, Joe said with a touch of slow sadness in his voice. "I was bad that night... real bad."

The puncher Joe most respected was madcap Maxie Baer. "He was the hardest hitter I met. But Braddock, he had a real good right hand, too."

Joe tasted that Irishman's right uppercut in the very first round of the night he won the title. It was a short punch and it bounced

him back on his pants. "You know," Louis added, "I think Braddock hit hard enough to end a fight with one punch" something this writer isn't in complete agreement with, by the way. Jimmy could drop you, like Walcott, but he couldn't keep you there.

Did Joe rate Billy Conn of the first fight faster on his pins than Walcott. "Oh yeah," Joe answered, almost belittling the question. "Conn was much faster, he was a better fighter than Walcott."

The \$64 question "How do you rate Walcott, Joe?"

Louis tested his bandages, banged one fist into the other palm, looked up at his questioner and said. "How could I rate Walcott? Oh, I'd rate him Levinsky, Paycheck, Al Ettore."

THIS RESPONSE brought a quiet silence into the room for a moment, pencils were suddenly furiously put to work, and then somebody said half-aloud "Let's see... you knocked Levinsky and Paycheck out in one round. How long did Ettore go?" Joe wasn't quite certain "I think he went four rounds didn't he?"

The champ comparing Walcott with three of the biggest stiff he ever fought comes a bit of a surprise. But you can be certain that it's an honest opinion and the only thing you can base it on is this: Louis is convinced that it's not so much Walcott being good last December as it was himself having been bad, horribly bad, as he says.

Joe hopped off his dressing table, the bandaging was done with, and he himself bounced up and down on the balls of his feet.

You finding it easier getting into shape this time, I asked. "Oh yes much easier. It feels wonderful."

Joe left the cottage and went outside for his first open air workout. He shadow boxed gingerly for five minutes and did it with an eagerness absent from his last training grind. He went four fast, impressive rounds with Johnny Hubnard, McKinley English, Dick Hagan and Tiger Roy Taylor. They are all speed merchants, shifty footed guys. Joe stayed on top of them, used his left to good advantage and most vital, was as fast following them as they were wheeling backwards and sideways. At this stage he looks unusually good.

## Catching Up to the Arc Circuit

THE BIG NOISE Wednesday night, of course, came from the Polo Grounds where the Giants, trailing Howie Pollett 7-2 in the 8th, slapped the Cards around for eight runs on a steady succession of hits, threw Larry Jansen in to fan the side with 11 pitches in the 9th to safeguard the 10-7 lead and sent the fans home babbling "They can't stop the Giants now. They're in!"

Over the river the Dodgers' magnificent winning streak of one was snapped by the Cubs and Johnny Schmitz, one of the league's superior hurlers. Big Hodges caught a fast ball and propelled an average 400 foot drive into the stands for his first homer and only Dodger tally. The middle of the batting order, all right hand hitters sup-

posed to do business with southpaws, Furillo, Cox and Lund, went 0 for 16. Willie the Knuck Ramsdell is fairly well in his first start but the big news was the stuff flashed by Harry Taylor in his two inning outing. Harry has it and should start soon.

Other late news had Pete Reiser going to see Doc Hyland in St. Louis about that bothersome ankle and Bruce Edwards on another trip to Johns Hopkins.

Hank Sauer's 10th home run led the lowly Reds to an 8-5 win over Sain and Co. at Boston... in the A. L. the weakened Indians, with Gordon and Keltner out, were blanked by Sid Hudson 2-0. Eddie Bearden dropping his first after three wins.

## 'I'll Make It Different This Time' Says Zale

By Lester Rodney

Tony Zale came into town yesterday and went through a few paces at Stillman's Gym. He fights Rocky Graziano for the middleweight championship at Newark, June 9th. It will be their third meeting. He knocked Rocky out with a paralyzing left hook

to the stomach in the first fight, was KO'd in Chicago in the second. Both were terrific, bruising battles. Graziano is a tough, wild swinger with a savage right. Zale is a fast and fluid boxer with a left hook almost as good as his straight right, the most punishing body puncher in years, but one who can be hit himself.

Zale will be 34 tomorrow. Graziano is 26. The general opinion is that this is last call for Zale. If he gets knocked out again by his younger opponent, his star has set.

It was photographers day at Stillman's. The boxing starts today. Zale came out of the dingy dressing room quarters without gloves, hands bandaged, and danced around one of the two rings. He stopped in the traditional manner to deliver rapid combinations of punches each accentuated by a snort of breath through the nose. Then he went upstairs to hit the bag and skip rope. The customers paid 25 cents apiece for the privilege of standing around and watching him work out.

He looked to be in good shape. He started preparations with two weeks in Hot Springs, just running and shaping up. Then he boxed three weeks in Chicago, 57 rounds all told, and now he's coasting toward the fight. He weighs 161, two to take off.

As he worked the customers commented. "Looks good" was the general opinion. "Think he's too old?" asked many. "Doesn't mean a thing how he looks here," one old timer said. "When you see him fight you know... but he DOES look to be in good shape."

Then it's downstairs again in the main ring, for pictures with Graziano. A cool touch of the hands, "How's it going." Someone digs up a fancy crown and puts it on Graziano's head and the photos ask for a picture with Zale's hands trying to wrest the crown off Graziano's head. "Wonderful shot," they chortle. "Look as if you're really trying to pull it off." Zale is uncomfortable about this, but finishes in good grace, then resumes his body twistings on the table, bend-overs and other sweat inducers and muscle strainers. A lot of work for months for maybe just a few fierce minutes, but shape is the big thing.

FINISH AND BACK to the dressing room sweating copiously. We chat. Tony is blue eyed, lean cheeked with high bones. His light hair is thin. "Began to go in front of the open hearth," he says. His father came from Poland in 1911 to Gary and was killed in an accident in 1916. Anthony Zaleski and his four brothers went to work in the steel mills early. Then boxing at the Y, Golden Gloves and the business of punching for a living.

How does he really feel about this coming fight? Does he read the stories about being 34, Graziano's edge in youth. "Tony," I ask. "How do you compare yourself as a fighter with the night you beat George Abrams for the title here back in '41? Have you gone back or what?"

"It's hard to say," Tony starts... then, "I think I'm just as good, maybe better in some ways."

"What do you think about all the talk of Rocky's youth telling in this fight? Do you think a man has to lose something when he hits 34?"

Zale grins. "I'm 34 on Saturday and I don't feel a thing. If a man keeps in shape I don't see any difference between 29 and 34. I'm in shape. Don't I look it?"

How about that second fight. Did he poop out?

"Yeah, but I explained that. I never alibied in my life but standing there in that ring under the



hot lights a half hour weakened me. I know you'll say why didn't it weaken him too. I just know it made the difference to me. I had him in that fight you remember

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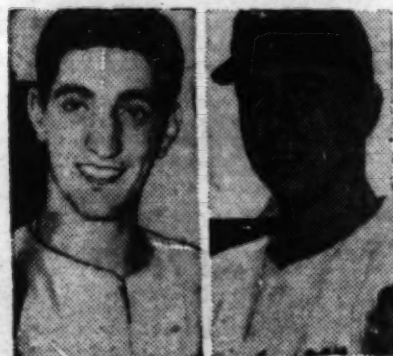


# CARDS CLIP GIANTS IN 9TH, DODGERS DEFEAT CUBS, 4-2

## Branca Wins 3d, Reese Steals Home

Ralph Branca got back in winning stride yesterday as the Brooklyn Dodgers concluded their first home stand with a 4 to 2 victory over the Chicago Cubs. Pitching the Dodgers out of the cellar, Branca yielded only six hits, fanned seven and walked two for his third victory against five losses.

The Cubs had just one scoring inning—the sixth—when with two out pinch hitter Phil Cavarretta tripled high off the right field screen after Andy Pafko had walked and Clarence Maddern had singled. None of the four Dodgers runs



Ralph Branca Pee Wee Reese

counted on a base hit. Shortstop Roy Smalley's wild throw to first, trying for a double play, put Carl Furillo over after he had singled against Russ Meyer and taken second on a walk to Gil Hodges.

In the third Spider Jorgensen walked, stole second, took third on an infield hit by Arky Vaughan and scored on Gene Hermanski's fly.

Pee Wee Reese came over in the fifth, walking, going to second on a sacrifice, to third on an infield out and then stealing home.

In the seventh, Branca singled, went to second on a sacrifice, to third on an infield out and came home after Jackie Robinson's long fly.

Rex Barney will face the Braves at Boston tonight.

### O'D to Weekend

Mayor William O'Dwyer left the city late yesterday for a weekend vacation at Warrenton, Va. He is expected to return to New York early Tuesday.

### The Box Score

Reese ss	1	1	0	4	3	Chicago	ab	r	h	e	a
Jorgens 3b	1	1	0	0	1	Schenz 2b	3	0	1	4	4
Cox 3b	1	0	1	0	0	Waitkus 1b	4	0	1	6	3
Robins 2b	3	0	0	5	0	Jeffcoat cf	4	0	0	3	0
Vaughan lf	4	0	1	2	0	Pafko 3b	3	1	1	0	1
Herman rf	4	0	0	3	0	Nichols rf	4	0	1	3	0
Furillo cf	4	1	2	1	0	Maddern lf	4	1	1	0	0
Ward 1b	3	0	1	3	2	Scheffing c	4	0	0	5	0
c-Lund	1	0	0	0	0	Smalley ss	2	0	0	2	1
Miksis 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0a-Cavaret	1	0	1	0	0
Hodges c	2	0	1	8	1	Cross ss	1	0	0	0	0
Branca p	4	1	1	1	0	Meyer p	2	0	0	2	0
						b-Lowrey	1	0	0	0	0
						Chamber p	0	0	0	1	0
						d-McCullo	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	28	4	7	27	7	Totals	34	2	6	24	11

a-Tripled for Smalley in 6th.  
b-Lined out for Meyer in 6th.  
c-Fanned for Ward in 8th.  
d-Fanned for Chambers in 9th.

Score by Innings:

Chicago	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	—	2
Brooklyn	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	x	—	4

Errors: Reese, Robinson, Smalley, Runa Batted in—Hermanski, Cavarretta 2, Robinson. Two Base Hits—Nicholson, Furillo. Three Base Hits—Cavarretta. Stolen Bases—Waitkus, Jorgensen, Reese. Sacrifices—Jorgensen, Reese. Left on Bases—Chicago 7, Brooklyn 8. Bases on Balls—Off Meyer 5, Chambers 1, Branca 2. Struck Out—By Meyer 3, Chambers 2, Branca 7. Hits and Runs—Off Meyer 3 and 3 in 5 Innings; Chambers 4 and 1 in 3 Innings. Passed Ball—Hodges. Losing Pitcher—Meyer. Time—2:29. Attendance—5,485 paid.

### Games Today And Probable Pitchers

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York (Embree 2-0) at Philadelphia (Fowler 3-0), night.  
Boston (Harris 1-3) at Washington (Wynn 3-5), night.  
Detroit (Newhouse 3-4) at St. Louis (Stephens 1-0), night.  
Cleveland (Feller 5-3) at Chicago (Haynes 2-5), night.

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

Philadelphia (Donnelly 3-3) at New York (Jansen 5-2), night.  
Brooklyn (Hatten 2-2) at Boston (Sain 3-3), night.  
St. Louis (Breechen 4-1) at Pittsburgh (Ostermuller 2-1), night.  
Chicago (Chipman 1-0) at Cincinnati (Fox 1-2), night.

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Cleveland	19	9	.697	—
* Philadelphia	21	10	.677	—
NEW YORK	18	12	.600	2½
Detroit	17	17	.500	5½
St. Louis	13	15	.464	6½
Boston	13	18	.419	8
* Washington	13	18	.419	8
Chicago	7	22	.241	13

\* Does not include night game.  
Philadelphia at Washington, night game.  
(Other clubs not scheduled.)

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
St. Louis	20	10	.667	—
NEW YORK	17	12	.586	2½
Boston	16	14	.533	4
* Pittsburgh	16	14	.533	4
* Philadelphia	16	16	.500	5
BROOKLYN	13	19	.406	8
Chicago	12	18	.400	8
Cincinnati	13	20	.394	8½

\* Does not include night game.  
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, night game.  
(Only games scheduled.)

### WELTER CONTENDER MAY EMERGE TONITE

A contender for the welterweight championship may emerge from the scheduled ten-round contest at Madison Square Garden tonight between Jerry (Kid) Gavilan, of Cuba, and Rocco Rossano, Brooklyn. The former is a slight favorite.

The Gavilan-Rossano contest headlines a program which has Harold Green, Brooklyn middleweight, opposing Rocky Castellani, Luzerne, Pa., youngster, in a second ten.

Both Gavilan and Rossano have clicked impressively in recent Garden appearances. The Brooklyn lad, one of the hardest punchers in the lighter divisions, hammered out a triumph over Eddie Giosa, of Philadelphia, in one minute and 33 seconds at the Garden last March 26.

Gavilan scored a sensational success at the Garden in two appearances last February. Early in the month he took on Vinnie Rossano, older brother of Rocco, and victoriously. Later in the same month he went ten thrilling rounds with Ike Williams, but came out on the wrong end of a close decision.

## Schoendy's Hit Clinches It 9-6

By Scorer

Red Schoendienst's ninth-inning single broke up the ballgame at the Polo Grounds yesterday and sent the St. Louis Cardinals home with an even break in the first "crosstul" series of the 1948 season.

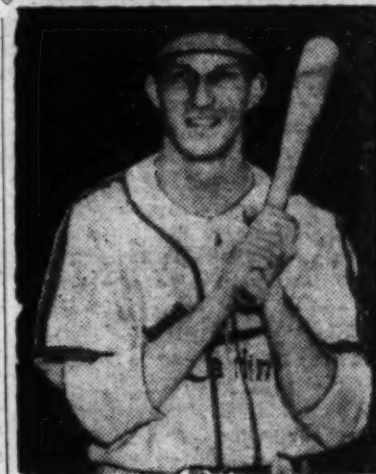
The Giants, who had scared the pants off of the Cardinals on Wednesday night when they came up with a terrific eight-run eighth inning, fought ding-dong yesterday to make it a clean sweep. But trailing by three runs in the third they twice drew even and held a 5-5 tie until Schoendienst batted home what were to be the winning runs. Even after the Cards' four-run rally, Mel Ott's batlers were still in there trying, batting out a final tally to make the score 9-6 against them.

Ray Poat, who shut the Cards out with two hits in St. Louis earlier this month, didn't have it yesterday. Two walks and Nippy Jones' single accounted for two runs when Enos Slaughter raced all the way home from first in the opening inning. Stan Musial startled the 21,277 fans by lining his third home-run of the series and his 10th of the year off the upper leftfield facade in the third. A single, a walk, and Poat wass out of there. Bobo Newsom retiring the side but yielding one more run. At that stage of the game the Giants had two tallies of their own. A walk, Lockman's double and Mize's fly accounted for one run in the first. Three-singles added another in the third off Murray Dickson. The Giant drew nearer on Westrum's and pinch-hitter Johnny McCarthy's safeties in the fourth, McNeely driving home Westrum with a fly ball. Then Sid Gordon tied it up in the sixth with his sixth home-run of the year.

The Cards edged ahead in the seventh on a single, a forced play and two pinch hits by Ron Northey and Whitey Kurowski. They might've put the game on ice at that stage but Schoendienst tapped to Sheldon Jones, the current Giant hurler, and a complicated double play ensued. The ball was whisked around the diamond from pitcher to catcher to third to first to third and back to the catcher, as the Cardinal baserunners tried to advance. When it was over, two of them had been put out on run-downs on the third base line, Westrum getting both—tagging both men.

The Giants tied it up in their half of the same inning when Thomson, Mize and Marshall singled in succession. Gordon then walloped the cover off the ball but third-base-man Lang snared it and converted it into a double play to end the rally.

Clint Hartung, who had fed the double play to Schoendienst in the seventh, faded rapidly in the ninth. He walked Lang, took second on a sacrifice, passed Garagiola intentionally and then walked pinch-hitter Terry Moore. Ken Trinkle, the act 1947 reliefer, who hadn't been able to get a Cardinal out on



MIGHTY MUSIAL  
Wallops His 10th Homer

Wednesday night, let two runs cross the plate on Schoendienst's game-winning single. Two more tallies ensued on Dusak's fly and Slaughter's drive to center.

The Giants kept trying as the third Card pitcher, Alpha Brazle, walked Lockman. Two were gone when hit by Marshall and Gordon sent Lockman home. Then Ted Wilks retired Les Layton, pinch-hitting for Westrum, to end the game.

**SHORT NOTES:** Musial was on base seven of the 11 times he faced Giant pitching during the two games. . . . Slaughter got on six times yesterday on three singles and three walks. . . . Mel Ott used six pitchers from left to right, Poat, Newsom, Jones, Hartung, Trinkle and Hansen. . . . while the Cards used four: Dickson, Hearn, Brazle and Wilks. . . . The two games were bitterly fought but despite the even break the edge remains with the Cardinals. Yesterday's defeat sent the Giants back to two-and-a-half games behind the league leaders. . . . Tonight the Phillies play at the Polo Grounds, with Larry Jansen, who fanned three Cards in relief in the ninth Wednesday night, going again tonight.

### Dodds Starts Olympic Comeback, Looks OK

NEWTON, Mass., May 27 (UP).—Galopin' Gil Dodds, the nation's top miler and foremost 1,500-meter Olympic hope, looked "just as good as ever" today in his first serious workouts following a siege of mumps.

The evaluation came from Coach Jack Rider who started Dodds on the Olympic trail yesterday by having him jog a few laps on the Boston College track and then run a fast three-quarters of a mile.

Dodds, who hold the world's indoor mile record, will run in the New England A. A. U. Championships at Brookline June 12, his first competitive start since an attack of mumps sidelined him during the indoor season.

## THE CUBS -- Lowly But Hopeful

There is little laughter in the life of manager Charlie Grimm of the Chicago Cubs but the old banjo player has high hopes for the future.

The Cubs are off the "sucker list" at last and expect to ride or fall with home grown rookies instead of providing a happy dumping ground for washed-up stars of other clubs.

This policy leaves Grimm near the National League cellar with his kids at the moment and, by his own admission, they won't be making any spectacular advances the remainder of the season.

"We've got some mighty fine young fellows," Grimm said of his team which has, in fact, more rookie regulars than any club in the major leagues.

"Some of them came along maybe too fast," he admitted. "Some could be a year or two away. But up here they're learning fast and learning right."

Except for catching, the Cubs have rookies at those important positions known as "down the middle." There are rooks at second base (Hank Schenz), at shortstop (Roy Smalley) and center field (Hal Jeffcoat).

Another rookie, outfielder Clarence Maddern, is a regular. Young pitchers like Russ Meyer and Cliff Chambers are bright spots.

"Next year," Grimm said with that faraway look of all second division managers, "will be different."

The Cubs learned the hard way that you can't buy a pennant winner without plenty of luck to go with it. The list of bad deals made by that club probably is no more impressive than the record of other clubs who have bought rather than developed players but some of them got more publicity.

The Dizzy Dean deal with Rickey and the St. Louis Cardinals certainly was an artistic bust although

Old Dix, crippled by a mysterious arm ailment, supposedly drew enough at the box office to reimburse Wrigley for the \$185,000 in cash he laid out.

Another transaction that failed to please Cub supporters sent first baseman Dolph Camilli, later the league's most valuable player while at Brooklyn, to the Phillies in exchange for a gent named Frank Hurst who flopped sadly.

Once the Cubs bought Chuck Klein from the Phillies for three players and \$65,000 in cash. Two years later, Klein returned to the Phillies for three more players—and no cash. When Gabby Hartnett took over from Grimm as manager, he traded shortstop Bill Jurgens and others to the Giants for Dick Bartell and some friends. Bartell, an experienced and excellent craftsman at short, suddenly developed the flitters in his throwing arm and soon departed for Detroit. The haven't had a shortstop since.

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